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RUSSIA'S FLIGHT.

A Harrowing Story.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, August 9.
Mr. F. L. Thompson, the representative of the American Relief Administration for the Brest-Litovsk and Pinsk area, has arrived in London and says that when he left refugees were pouring into Brest-Litovsk at the rate of 2,000 daily. They had nowhere to live except in ramshackle dug-outs, in which many crawled to die. Many were unable to walk owing to swollen bodies and legs due to starvation. Mr. Thompson said that in one town he found ten of the wealthiest families living on bread made of straw, mud and grass. Thousands of others were living on soup made from grass. A telegram from Riga, via Copenhagen, says that there were 130,000 deaths from cholera in Russia to the end of July.

THE WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

Premier not to Attend.

Paris, August 8.
Interviewed by American journalists, Mr. Lloyd George said he would be unable to attend the disarmament conference at Washington on November 11.

A Denial.

London, August 8.
Reuter correspondent at Paris is authorised to state that neither the delegation nor the Embassy has made any statement respecting Mr. Lloyd George's intentions in regard to going to America. Moreover, Mr. Lloyd George received no American journalists.

Conjectures as to Reason.

London, August 8.
Mr. Lloyd George's announcement at Paris that he will not attend the Washington conference surprised London, where Government circles attribute the decision to the enormous accumulation of work requiring the Premier's personal attention in the autumn. It is further suggested that anticipated developments in the Irish situation caused a change of mind. A personage in close touch with Mr. Lloyd George said that the Premier had not given an inkling of his latest decision when he departed for Paris. Some are inclined to associate the change of plan with the possibility of a General Election in the autumn.

Lord Northcliffe's Hopes.

Vancouver, August 8.
Lord Northcliffe, prior to his departure for Honolulu, speaking at the Canadian Club on the subject of disarmament, referred to British Columbia as the nearest window through which one could look upon the Pacific and the whole Eastern world. On that horizon was one outstanding point—namely, President Harding's proposal that the Pacific give a lead to the rest of the world by becoming truly pacific through the limitation of armaments. Lord Northcliffe believed that President Harding and Mr. Hughes, whom he saw at Washington, had the clearest understanding of the momentous character of the conference at Washington, which might well prove the greatest and most pregnant gathering of the kind ever held. Lord Northcliffe opined that if the delegates to the conference truly and consistently represented the desires of their respective nations he was convinced that an agreement would be reached and an era of peace and prosperity be opened in the Pacific, while the example and advantages therefrom would result in an extension of the movement throughout the world. He was sailing into the Pacific in the hope that in the next few months he would acquire, through more direct study, some greater knowledge of its problems than was possible at home and a better understanding of their nature—a knowledge of exactly where the points of danger lay. His lordship emphasised that he felt that at no moment in modern history had mankind called more urgently than at present for earnest endeavour to rid humanity of the burden of armaments, and declared that failure would be a catastrophe.

Lord Northcliffe has departed for Honolulu.

THE ANGLO-JAPANESE TREATY.

No Assistance in Internal Disturbances in India.

London, August 8.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Harmsworth, replying to Sir John Rees, asserted that the Anglo-Japanese Treaty did not provide for Japanese assistance to Britain in the event of internal disturbances in India. Sir John Rees said that this is so contrary to what has been recently stated that the former version is almost believed, with the most serious consequence. Mr. Harmsworth emphasised that the impression was without foundation.

JAPAN'S POSITION IN CHINA.

British Government Unaware of any Preferential Rights.

London, August 8.
In the House of Commons Mr. W. Forrester (Co. Lib) asked whether it had been suggested that Japan's disabilities as to right of emigration into British Columbia give her certain preferential rights in China, more especially in specific provinces. Mr. Chamberlain replied that the Government was unaware of any such suggestion.

THE INDUSTRIAL DEPRESSION.

Position Regarding Messrs. Ryland.

London, August 8.
Financial writers point out in connection with the trade losses mentioned in the report of the 6th inst. that Messrs. Rylands are able to claim a refund of over £1,200,000 excess profits duty; therefore, the actual loss is only £262,000.

M.P.'s TRAGIC DEATH.

London, August 8.
Mr. T. Winttingham, Independent Liberal Member for Louth, fell down dead this evening in the Reading Room of the House of Commons. The House adjourned as a mark of respect.

THE IRISH SITUATION.

Sinn Fein Apology.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, August 8.
A remarkable sequel to the shooting of a constable at Belfast on Saturday has occurred. O'Duffy, the Sinn Fein truce officer for Ulster, called at the hospital and apologised. He said that the two civilian assailants were on patrol duty and were carrying arms in defiance of the prohibition, their excuse being that they were passing through a hostile district.

Sinn Fein Sends Courier to Premier.

Paris, August 8.
A courier from the Sinn Fein cabinet to-day delivered a message to Mr. Lloyd George, who has not replied so far.

McKeown to be Released Immediately.

London, August 8.
McKeown, mentioned in a cable yesterday respecting the Irish truce, is to be released immediately.

Circumstances of McKeown's Release.

Later.
McKeown was released this evening, as his continued imprisonment threatened to wreck the Irish truce. De Valera made a statement before the release, saying that he did not think the refusal of the release was the result of the considered judgment of the English Cabinet, but merely the act of some subordinate. It is understood that McKeown's release was not specially considered by the Cabinet, and the mission of the Sinn Fein courier who went to Paris to see Mr. Lloyd George ended happily.

INDIA'S TROUBLES.

A Solemn Warning.

London, August 8.
One of the arrested men at Nankanshib, in connection with the fighting there has confessed how a priest secretly collected hundreds of good fighters, including Pathans, who massacred the Sikhs when the latter arrived. The priest rode a horse and carried a pistol and directed and participated in the slaying. All the dead Sikhs were burned except four.

The Governor of Bombay, in welcoming the non-Brahmin's offer of co-operation in quelling violence, solemnly warned the leaders of the anti-Government campaign of the consequences if they did not abandon their attempts to subvert law and order. He said that press and platform attacks, had passed legitimate bounds. Lawlessness had increased but the Government, however, intended to continue its patient and tolerant policy.

HUGE FIRE AT LONDON TIMBER YARD.

Result of Labour Disturbance.

London, August 8.
Glicksten's timber-yard at Stratford, in the London area, covering 21 acres, the largest in the United Kingdom, with stocks valued at a million sterling, was practically destroyed by fire to-day after a disturbance by some thousands of men, who applied for and were unable to obtain work in the yard. By midday the yard was one huge flame two hundred feet high in places.

AUSTRALIANS ALL OVER WARWICK.

Fine All-Round Play by Visiting Skipper.

London, August 8.
At Birmingham in unsettled weather, on a soft wicket before nine thousand people, Warwickshire were dismissed for 133. Armstrong taking 5 wickets for 33. The Australians have scored 312 for 7. Bardeley made 75 by vigorous hitting, including twelve fours, in 65 minutes. Macartney scored 72 in 110 minutes, scoring eight fours. Armstrong is 50 not out.

County Cricket.

Hampshire won by eight wickets.

SAVINGS CERTIFICATES.

Industrial Depression Causes Big Drop in Sales.

London, August 8.
The fifth annual report of the National Savings Committee states that £44,000,000 of savings certificates were sold in 1920 compared with £79,000,000 in 1919. The decrease is attributed to trade depression and unemployment.

THE NEW LICENSING ACT.

Restrictions Removed.

London, August 8.
In the House of Commons, the Right Hon. S. Baldwin announced that on the impending operation of the new Licensing Act the existing restrictions regarding price, quality, and description of liquors has been removed.

COMMUNISTS IN JUGO-SLAVIA.

Reported Arrest of 53 Deputies.

Paris, August 8.
Le Journal learns from Belgrade that 53 Communist members of the Jugo-Slav Parliament have been arrested.

GREEK WARSHIPS BOMBARD ASIA MINOR.

London, August 8.
Reuter is informed that, in consequence of Turkish attacks upon foreigners on the Asia Minor coast, Greek warships bombarded Trebizond, Samoun, and other ports. The effect is not known.

MEETING OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL.

French is Unanimous Regarding Silesia.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, August 8.
The gravity of the discussions of the Supreme Council as affecting the Anglo-French entente is the keynote of newspaper comment to-day. All the papers have editorials on the subject, unanimously declaring that Upper Silesia is the dominant question, and opining that this must be decided almost exclusively by the British and French delegates. Le Petit Journal says it would be imprudent to reckon on the benevolent effect of American and Italian mediation. The very principle of the Entente Cordiale is at stake. Le Petit Parisien says that agreement on Upper Silesia is only attainable if the dogma of the indivisibility of the industrial region, which impressed British experts so strongly, is abandoned. Le Journal urges the strategic side question, saying that an adequate rampart must be established on Germany's eastern frontier. Le Matin says that to make Upper Silesia German would mean the triumph of militarism.

Council Hears Commission of Experts on Silesia.

Paris, August 8.
A communique states that the Supreme Council met at the Quai d'Orsay and heard statements by the commission of experts on Upper Silesia. To-morrow the Council will hear the Allied High Commissioners at Oppeln regarding the present situation.

Respective Views of British and French Experts.

Paris, August 8.
While the experts generally favoured the indivisibility of the industrial triangle in Silesia, M. Laroche, a French expert, pleaded for the division of the triangle and the allotment of the greater part to Poland. Sir Cecil Hurst, the British expert, declared that 678 communes voted for Poland and 841 for Germany, the total votes being 469,000 for Poland and 707,000 for Germany.

Britain opined firstly, and this France agreed, that a settlement should be based on communes; secondly, enclaves must be avoided; thirdly, communes are economically inseparable and must not be divided. Consequently the industrial triangle should be allotted to Germany. Britain complains that, whereas seven-eighths of the population voted in favour of Germany, the line proposed by France gave seven-eighths of the territory to Poland, including Koenigsbush, without allocating a single mine to Germany.

PROFITTEERING IN FRANCE.

"Sternest Measures" Contemplated.

Paris, August 6 (delayed).
The Government is considering the sternest measures to curb profiteering, especially in regard to meat.

THE RAILWAY ACCIDENT AT RANGOON.

Fatality List Exceeds a Hundred.

Rangoon, August 8.
The deaths in the railway accident reported on the 28th ult. now number 104. An inquiry has been opened.

TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

Peking, August 9.
It has been proposed at a meeting held in the President's palace to dismiss Wong Jim-yuen, tuchun of Hupeh.

On receipt of important official reports from Hupeh the Government has ordered Tso Kwan, tuchun of Chilli immediately to send reinforcements to that province.

The Japanese Charge d'Affaires has insisted that the Shanghai question be settled by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs before the Pacific Conference takes place.

Shanghai, August 9.
It is reported that Wong Jim-yuen has decided to leave Wuchang by gunboat for Shanghai.

(Other Telegrams on Page 2.)

LOCAL GOLF.

New "Bogeys" for Fanling.

We are in receipt of the following information from Mr. J. R. Ross of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club:

The Green Committee of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club met last week and agreed to some changes which should be interesting to Golfers. 'Bogey' of the Relief Course at Fanling was considered too high. This has been proved recently as scores have been returned showing four and five up on the 'old gentlemen' 'Bogey' has been altered as follows—

OLD BOGEY.	NEW BOGEY.
Hole 10	Hole 10
1 5 10 4	1 5 10 4
2 3 11 5	2 3 11 4
3 5 12 3	3 5 12 3
4 4 13 4	4 4 13 4
5 6 14 5	5 5 14 4
6 4 15 3	6 4 15 3
7 5 16 5	7 5 16 4
8 4 17 4	8 4 17 4
9 5 18 4	9 4 18 4
41 37	39 34
Total 78	Total 73

Local Rules and Water Hazards were arranged as follows—

Main Course.—The following streams, drains and ditches are to be regarded as water hazards, and a ball in same may be lifted and dropped not more than two club's length behind under penalty of one stroke (vide Rules of Golf).

and dropped not more than two club's length behind under penalty of one stroke, (vide Rules of Golf).

5th Hole. Drain 50 yards in front of Tee.

6th Hole. Drain on far side of cross bunker in front of Tee. Drain at right angles to above on right hand side.

7th Hole. All open drains between Tee and Green.

10th Hole. Gutters along each side of pathway leading over the hill.

14th Hole. Drain at bottom of hill on right hand side.

18th Hole. Drain crossing in front of Tee.

A ball may be lifted and dropped not nearer the hole without penalty—

1. When lying touching any water meter plate.

2. When lying within a club's length of water house at 6th hole.

New Course. The following streams, drains and ditches are to be regarded as water hazards and a ball lying in same may be lifted and dropped not more than two club's length behind under penalty of one stroke (vide Rules of Golf).

1st hole. Drain crossing fairway.

6th hole. Drain crossing fairway.

7th hole. Drain crossing in front of Tee.

Drain crossing fairway 1/3rd of distance to hole.

Drain crossing fairway half way to the hole.

DEATH OF MR. ALAN BALEAN.

Twenty Years with H. K. & S. B.

It is with regret that we have to record the death of Mr. Alan Balean, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, telegraphic news of which was received to-day by his brother, Dr. H. Balean. The deceased, who was extremely well known in the Colony went home on leave about a year ago and it was known here that he was enjoying but indifferent health. Tubercular trouble supervened and deceased passed away yesterday. A wide circle of friends will learn the news with keen regret and much sympathy will be extended to Dr. Balean in his bereavement.

The late Mr. Alan Balean first joined the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in 1901, coming East in 1905 and being attached to the Singapore branch. It was in 1908 he first came to Hongkong but within a year was transferred to the Kobe branch, leaving there in 1912 to take charge of the Taipei sub-branch. In 1913 he joined the Shanghai staff, but in August, 1914, was one of a number of others who were sent to Hongkong to relieve the local staff on account of the mobilisation of the local Volunteer Force. Mr. Balean continued to serve at the head office, in 1919 being appointed acting sub-accountant and in the following year being made full sub-accountant. He left for home last September on twelve months' leave. He was extremely popular among the staff, and the flag of the Bank was flown at half-mast to-day as a mark of respect.

The deceased was perhaps best known in the Colony by reason of the work he did in connection with the Hongkong Police Reserve, when he acted as Inspector Accountant up to the time of the force's disbandment.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

"The Cinderella Man" is the feature film at the Kowloon Theatre to-night.—Page 12.

Moe Fong has started in as a photographer at Old Supreme Court Buildings.—Page 2.

Warren has a new stock of Floor Tiles.—Page 2.

The World Theatre is featuring "The Vengeance of the Wild" in its mid-week programme.—Page 4.

Lammerts have a sale on Wednesday. Eye Remedy, Cow Hides, Horse Clippers, etc.—Page 4.

The C.R.A. Petition will be closed for signatures on August 15.—Page 4.

The J.C.J.L. advise consignees of cargo of the arrival in port of the s.s. Tijmancock.—Page 5.

To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 8½d.

The Weather.

2 p.m. Barometer:—29.75. Temperature:—83. Humidity:—83.

Lighting-Up Time.

Lighting-up time to-day, 7.00 p.m.

10th hole. Drain crossing fairway 70 yards in front of Tee.

13th hole. Drain beyond green.

14th hole. Drain on far side of bunker in front of Tee.

18th hole. Drain crossing fairway on far side of bunker. Drain flanking fairway on both sides.

A ball may be lifted and dropped without penalty when lying touching any water meter plate.

The Captain's Cup was played for over the Relief Course at Fanling on 6th to 8th August. Four cards were taken out, and the following scores were returned:—E. J. R. Mitchell (4) 75 (Winner) R. Melville Smith (scr. 81.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

UPPER SILESIA.

London, Aug. 8.
 The troubles conditions in which the Supreme Council meetings are opening are not minimised in London. Apart from the question of the despatch of troops to Upper Silesia there is a pronounced Anglo-French divergence as regards the boundaries of the disputed industrial triangle of Bouthen-Kattowitz-Gleiwitz. While London is known to favour giving Poland only Press and Rybnik with a few outlying districts adjoining the industrial triangle, Paris desires to award the whole triangle to Poland; thus both maintain the triangle is indivisible, leaving a clear cut issue of its ultimate destination. It is notable that the Daily Chronicle, which is regarded as the mouthpiece of the British Government, asks "Will the Franco-British Entente be in existence a week hence?" and replies that it is doubtful. Other papers adopt a similar line, pinning hopes to the presence of Ambassador Harvey as a more or less impartial participant in the Conference to find a way out.
 A Paris account says that the Anglo-French Premiers after the preliminary meeting yesterday, sat together on the balcony of the hotel until eleven o'clock at night.

TERRIBLE SHIPPING DISASTER.

Eureka, Aug. 8.
 Thirty-six passengers and twelve members of the crew of the ss. Alaska perished when the vessel struck a reef and tore out the bottom. She sank in half an hour. Thirty survivors were injured. Fog was responsible for the disaster. Four lifeboats were launched. One capsized, the occupants being thrown into the water. Many wearing lifebelts, jumped into the sea from the steamer. Some were rescued hours later clinging to wreckage. The captain was last seen standing at the stern when the Alaska finally plunged.

FARMERS IN FRANCE.

Paris, Aug. 8.
 The region of the Loire has been most seriously affected by the drought. The pastures are burnt up and farmers have been obliged to feed their cattle on winter reserves of hay. Most of the springs and wells have dried up and many villages are waterless. Fires are breaking out everywhere, mainly due to sparks from locomotives.

PERSIAN POLITICS.

Allahabad, Aug. 8.
 The Persian province of Khorassan has proclaimed its independence.

EXTRADITION PROCEEDINGS.

Who Is The President Of China.

A man and a woman appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon on a requisition from the Canton Government for their surrender to Canton on a charge of stealing about \$1,000 worth of jewellery from a Chinese banker in Canton. The woman is the concubine of the banker.

Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, Assistant Crown Solicitor, represented the Crown. The defendants were represented by Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton. Corroborative evidence was given with regard to appointments between the fugitives in Canton, the jewellery of the woman (not that specified in the charge), their movements in Hongkong and their capture by the police in the servants' quarters of the Government Civil Hospital on July 21st.

Inspector Hau Hing, who arrested the fugitives, said that he found part of the stolen property in a coat, which was claimed by the female fugitive. In a basket, which was also claimed by her, were found four pawn tickets relating to four pairs of bracelets, alleged to have been stolen from the banker.

Attached to the male fugitive's string girdle was found a gold coin converted into a button, which was identified by the banker as part of his missing valuables. The fugitive explained in his statement to the police, in answer to a charge of possession of stolen property under the local Larceny Ordinance, which has been withdrawn since the commencement of the present proceedings, that he found the gold coin on his bed and was only using it temporarily. The woman, in reply to the charge under the Larceny Ordinance, denied the theft and said she had been expelled by her husband and the latter's first wife.

At the conclusion of the evidence, Mr. Wei Wing Hong, extradition deputy for the Canton Government in Hongkong, was recalled by Mr. Brutton, who produced a copy of the Chinese Republic Government Gazette, known as the Canton Government Gazette before the election of Dr. Sun Yat-sen as President of China.

In reply to Mr. Brutton, Mr. Wei said the Gazette contained a decree by President Sun Yat-sen, appointing General Chan Chiung-ming, as the Civil Governor of Canton and Commander in charge of military affairs in Kwangtung. It also contained a declaration of policy by President Sun Yat-sen and an address to him by the National Assembly of China.

Mr. Brutton: What words did Dr. Sun Yat-sen use when he called himself the President of China in his declaration? What are the Chinese characters?

Mr. Wei Wing Hong: He said that the National Assembly had appointed him as President of Chung Wah Min Kwei (the Chinese Republic).

The word Kwei stands for an independent state, quite different from Sheng (province).—Yes.

Another copy of the same Gazette was also shown to the witness. In reply to Mr. Brutton the witness said that the Gazette contained congratulatory messages from General Chan Chiung-ming and others which were addressed to "President Sun Yat-sen at Kwang-chau."

Mr. Lindell: Kwangchau is Canton.
 Mr. Wei: Yes.
 Answering Mr. Hazlerigg, Mr. Wei said he appeared at the Magistracy as extradition deputy for the Canton Government in three cases during the present year. The date of the requisition for the first case was dated February 1921. The requisition for the last case was dated May 12th and the case was heard on May 5th. Both requisitions were made by the Civil Governor of Canton, General Chan Chiung-ming.

Mr. Hazlerigg: In your cross-examinations you stated that the South recognised Sun Yat-sen as President. By that do you mean he is recognised by the Chinese people as President for China or merely for the province of Kwangtung?

Mr. Wei: For the whole country. He was recognised by the South.

In answer to another question, Mr. Wei said that although independent of Peking, Kwangtung did not claim to be a separate state from China.

Mr. Hazlerigg: Apart from the government of Sun Yat-sen as President, is there a provincial government in Kwangtung?

Mr. Wei: Yes. There is the provincial assembly, which is entirely separate from the National Assembly.

Is General Chan Chiung-ming administering the Provincial Assembly in Canton?—Yes.
 In answer to the Magistrate, Mr. Wei said it was difficult to say whether the executive officials of Sun's government also served in the provincial assembly.

The case was adjourned until Wednesday afternoon.

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The annual general meeting of the "Shell" Transport and Trading Co., Ltd., was held at Winchester House, Old Broad-Street, E.C., on 4th July, the Hon. Walter H. Samuel, M.C., presiding.

The Chairman said: I think I may be allowed to congratulate myself on being able to come before you for the first time as your chairman with such an eminently satisfactory showing, and I think, at this early stage of our proceedings, I should take the opportunity of congratulating our late chairman, to whom so much of this prosperity is due, on the great honour conferred on him by his Majesty the King, which we hope he may be long spared to enjoy. (Applause.)

To turn to the figures of the balance-sheet. You will see that the balance to the credit of profit and loss was no less than £8,370,042. This figure included £1,242,621 brought forward, and you will observe the present carry forward is increased to over £2,000,000. The year under review was one of great prosperity in the oil trade, and your directors feel no hesitation in declaring a dividend of 3 per cent. free of tax, as for several previous years. During the year we gave shareholders an opportunity of taking one new share at par for every two held, bringing up the ordinary capital issued to £19,221,296 out of an authorised capital of £20,000,000. In due course I shall address you again at an extraordinary general meeting, asking for authority to increase this amount to £20,000,000. Let me say at once that there is no intention whatever of making an immediate issue of these shares. The whole policy of the company in the past has been to have a large authorised reserve of shares available for issue in payment for properties or as otherwise required. Some of our best investments have been acquired in this way, and we wish to be in a position to continue this policy as and when necessary.

Inaccurate Rumours.
 At this stage I would refer to the many rumours which always seem to crop up about this company's intentions, rumours which have from time to time received letters from indignant shareholders asking why they are not informed of these mythical matters, and making other complaints on the same line. I can only say it has not been, and I hope never will be the policy of this company to confirm, deny, or correct rumours of this nature. There have been all sorts of guesses at our dividend, and it was to stop this and put our shareholders out of suspense that we declared our dividend somewhat earlier than usual. I would, however, warn you that we may not always be able to do this. It is greatly to be regretted that oil, once a mere article of commerce, has now become a political bone of contention and a cause of international jealousy.

We were, if I may say so, quite happy and quite capable of looking after ourselves in commercial rivalry. To-day, however, every government in the world seems to want to meddle in the oil business. It is somewhat doubtful to me how much they are actuated by the very real advantages accruing to the possessor of oil as motive power, and how much by a desire to reap the financial results which are commonly assumed to be the reward of such possession.

Payments in Taxation.
 Every government is seeking money, and, instead of asking themselves what taxation can be borne with least injury to the industrial welfare of the nation, they are apt to ask what is the maximum amount of money they can extort. It is very difficult to give you exact figures, but it is certain that the group of companies of which your company is a part paid last year in direct taxation in all countries between £10,000,000 and £12,000,000 sterling—this apart from any further taxation of income derived from them by their shareholders and import taxes on oil products. I may further say that the total direct taxation paid by the group to the British Treasury was something over £4,000,000 sterling. I venture to doubt whether any nationalisation of the industry could, or would, produce such financial results to the Government nationalising it. As I said before, 1920 was a year of exceptional prosperity, and I suppose you are all anxious to hear whether your directors are of opinion that this prosperity will continue. It is common knowledge that prices have fallen heavily

during the past few months; that silver, which has a great effect on our returns, selling as much as we do in the East, has also fallen, and that the burden of taxation is ever increasing. In the past we have always been able to counter-balance adverse trade conditions by increased business, and we hope to obtain this increased business from the results of the very large sums we have invested in our business in the last few years, the benefits of which are only just beginning to be apparent.

Market Expansion.
 In order to obtain our share in the ever-increasing consumption of oil products, we have had to expand our marketing facilities. In view of the enormous capital cost involved in such expansion, it is a matter of congratulation that we had a pre-war nucleus for such organisation. This has made the completed cost of our existing facilities far less than half of what it would cost to duplicate them to-day. I am glad to say that the Shell brand of petrol maintains its deservedly high reputation in this market and that consumption continues to be satisfactory. There will be shortly placed on the market. Shell lubricating oil, to the quality of which our advisers have given great thought and care. I hope to be able to report next year that it has met with success in no way inferior to that achieved by the motor spirit. The group has also under control over a million tons of shipping, and you will be pleased to hear that it is all employed in the carriage of our products. Production has been satisfactory on the whole, though hampered by ill-considered legislation in many countries, of which Roumania is, perhaps, the most striking example. The Government of that country imposed an export tax and other restrictions, which had the result of curtailing export, so that a large part of the Roumanian production failed to find a market when prices were good. Our policy of supplying every market from the most favourable source, geographically speaking, has been eminently justified, and it is not our fault that some of our competitors, who preferred to base their supply on one source of production alone, should now complain that they have found themselves deprived of the advantages ever accruing to such a policy.

Mexican Interests.
 Shareholders in all companies having Mexican interests have of late, been much exercised by the reports of falling production in that country. The appearance of salt water in Mexican wells after a certain time is a new phenomenon, and the companies with which we are associated—particularly the Mexican Eagle—are fully compensated by the enormous reserve of proved—but undeveloped territories still in hand. The fallacy of these reports—which would appear to be inspired—sufficiently proved by the unprecedented fall in the price of Mexican crude oil due to over-production. I should like to be able to say the same of Egypt, where the production of the Anglo-Egyptian Oil Company has fallen off considerably. No satisfactory reserve outside Hurgada has yet been located, although we have hopes of the productivity of the present field. Our interests in America continue to increase, and have given very satisfactory results. Our fields in Oklahoma produced 2,600,000 barrels, as against 2,300,000 in 1919; our pipelines carried far larger quantities, and our refining capacity was considerably increased. We have many other irons in the fire, to which it would be premature to refer at the present stage.

I would conclude by expressing my personal opinion that, great as our progress has been in the past, it has by no means reached its height. I have much pleasure in moving the adoption of the report and balance-sheet.

Sir Henri W. A. Deterding, K.B.E., seconded the resolution, which was carried unanimously.

The retiring directors were re-elected, the appointment of new directors was confirmed and the auditors were reappointed.

A cordial vote of thanks was given to the chairman and directors, and it was resolved that the remuneration of £10,000 at present given to the board should be doubled.

At an extraordinary general meeting the following resolution was passed unanimously:—
 "That the capital of the company be increased to £33,000,000 by the creation of 10,000,000 additional ordinary shares of £1 each, and that the board be authorised to issue such shares at such

MOTORING IN HAWAII.

Splendid Roads Everywhere.

Honolulu, June 28.—The day of the horse has ended in Hawaii, and, as in other parts of the world, his place has been taken by the motor car. Thousands of pleasure cars, trucks and tractors are now in service in the islands, and the automobile business is in a decidedly flourishing condition.

On the large sugar and pineapple plantations the mule and the horse which for years pulled the ploughs and cultivators have about disappeared, and this work is now being done almost exclusively by tractors and motor-driven ploughs. This innovation has reduced operating expenses, at the same time accomplishing increased and more satisfactory work. Several of the plantations are now manufacturing their own motor fuel.

When the delegates to the Press Congress of the World come to the territory in October for a two-weeks' session, they will find that splendid automobile roads lead to every point of interest in the islands, even up to within a few hundred yards of the rim of the active volcano of Kilauea on the island of Hawaii. The territory is spending millions yearly on its roads, and one of the largest road-building programs in its history is being carried out, for which the advent of the automobile is largely responsible.

Each of the four larger islands is encircled by a splendidly constructed belt road, from which branches out other highways, forming a veritable network of good roads. The various army units in the territory are now completely motorized, and this is another reason why the territorial and county governments are placing emphasis on good roads. An effort is now being made in Congress to obtain an annual appropriation of federal funds for additional road building in the islands.

"GENTLEMEN OF THE PRESS."

Some Visitors To Pacific Press Conference.

Quite a big number of journalists from America and a few from the Far East will attend the Pacific Press Conference at Honolulu in October, and will deliver addresses on a big programme which has been arranged.

The following are some of the visitors:—James Wright Brown, Editor and Publisher, New York; H. L. Bridgman of the "Brooklyn Standard Union"; K. Sugimura of the Tokyo "Asahi Shimbun"; B. W. Fleisher of the "Japan Advertiser"; Thales Coutoupis, Athens; Ludwig Saxe, Christiania; Ruston N. Vatchaghandy, Bombay; and Virgilio Rodriguez Beteta of the Central American Press Association, Guatemala.

China will be represented by Mr. Jabin Hsu and Mr. Hollington K. Tong.

A diversity of subjects, dealing with newspapers and press work, will be touched upon in the four or five days devoted to the business session, and afterwards the party will place themselves in the hands of the Hawaiian Entertainment Committees.

Professors Walter B. Pitkin of Columbia University and W. D. Hornaday of the University of Texas, will speak at the educational conference.

LAWN BOWLS.

Police Beat Craigengower.

The Police had the best of the Craigengower players in their League match on Saturday, winning in all three rinks. The results were:—

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P.R.C.	C.C.C.
Knight	C. Rose.
Kelly	R. Bass.
Cooper	L. Rodriguez.
J. Clark (s)	19 W. Pitt (s) 17
No. 2 Rink	
Henderson	Alves.
Davitt	Lamble.
Robertson	I. Rose.
Gerrard (s)	21 L. Lamont (s) 18
No. 3 Rink	
Reid	Hollands.
Nicol	W. Lee.
Mair	Bradbury.
A. Clark (s)	23 Thompson (s) 18
Total	63 Total 63

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THE SCANDAL OF FAMINE
SURTAXES.

Why are They Still in Force?

"I should like you, if you can spare a few minutes, to give me a few particulars regarding the famine situation."

This remark was addressed by a N.C.D.N. representative to Mr. W.E. Souter, local secretary of the National Bible Society of Scotland and Chairman of the Distribution Sub-Committee of the Chinese-Foreign Famine Relief Committee of Shanghai, the man who probably has more intimate knowledge than anyone else in the Settlement of the conditions in the famine area and what was necessary there.

THERE IS NO FAMINE.

Mr. Souter's eyebrows went up, a smile spread over his face and he replied: "But there is no famine!"

It was just the reply that had been expected. Undoubtedly there was a very serious famine, but it was promptly and vigorously tackled, the conditions gradually improved and eventually the famine relief committees suspended their operations.

Yet the Government is still enforcing the collection of "relief" funds, a fact which serves to draw attention not only to a scandal of the present, but also one of the past—altogether a colossal piece of "squeeze" which must come close to testing all records even in China.

Chinese merchants have for several weeks past been heaping bitter recriminations on the heads of the grafters, but little was seen in the way of a real attempt to check the imposition until quite recently. Now, it is understood, there is something like a co-ordinated effort to bring pressure to bear upon Peking, with foreign Chambers of Commerce and other organizations joining in and, this being so, the presentation of a few facts will not be out of place.

HOW MUCH DID PEKING GET?

Here it should be pointed out that the Government has all the advantage in the matter of figures. The grand totals of the various famine surtaxes are known only at headquarters—probably there only by a select few—and the Government's contributions to famine relief are also only known at Peking—and to a still more select few. However, it has been possible to secure sufficient in the way of figures to put up a good argument and, on Shanghai's totals, experts in various departments can fairly accurately gauge totals for all China.

It was, of course, some considerable time before the Government accepted any responsibility, famine relief being left entirely to foreign philanthropy and the foreign missionaries secured large contributions for carrying on the work. Eventually the Government did join in and raised money by a loan of \$1,000,000 from foreign banks, to be repaid by the realization of a further imposition of 10 per cent. of the existing Customs tax of 5 per cent., i.e., one-half of 1 per cent. extra; they added a variety of surtaxes to railway charges and others on linen and telegraph rates and some funny business about special stamps at the post offices which no one seems to have quite grasped even yet.

It should be pointed out again that "there is no famine," but the surtaxes are still being collected. The famine relief committees officially closed their bureaux at the end of June and will shortly issue their closing accounts.

They all actually have balances in hand, several thousands in the case of Shanghai and it is believed about \$500,000 at Peking.

Contributions, too, are still coming in, mainly from overseas Chinese, and these are being earmarked for the Famine Prevention Committee, a body which has grown out of the larger organization and is intended to hold the surplus until some emergency arises to justify its employment. And again though the famine has ceased and there is actually more money in hand than is needed, the Government is still collecting "famine relief" taxes.

SUICIDE AFTER VAIN SEARCH FOR ROOMS.

After a fruitless search for rooms for herself and husband, and family of four children, Amy Maria Mansell of North London, committed suicide by taking spirits of salts.

NEW GOVERNOR OF
HAWAII.

Revival of Ancient Customs.

A strikingly impressive and colourful revival of ancient Hawaiian customs, such as is being planned as a part of the entertainment of delegates to the Press Congress of the World in October, was one of the features of the inauguration at Honolulu on July 5 of Mr. Wallace Rider Farrington, business manager of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin, as governor of Hawaii.

Members of the Sons and Daughters of Hawaiian Warriors, a leading Hawaiian society, garbed in feather cloaks and helmets and carrying spears and other symbols of rank, greeted the new governor as he entered the capitol, and, amid the singing of Hawaiian melodies, bedecked him with "leis," flower wreaths, and strewn blossoms in his path.

Many ancient relics, including weapons and articles of regal regalia, were used in the ceremony. There were great feather cloaks and capes of red, yellow and orange, many of them priceless, and helmets and "leis" of the same material rarely seen outside of museums. Two warriors, with crossed spears, blocked the new governor's path as he entered the Capitol, and it was not until he had answered certain questions put to him in Hawaiian by the regent of the society, that he was allowed to proceed. It was merely a revival of an ancient Hawaiian custom, yet it served to make the occasion the typically Hawaiian welcome ever extended an executive of the territory.

Aside from his duties as executive, Governor Farrington will continue as chairman of the Hawaiian committee in charge of local arrangements for the welcome and entertainment of the delegates to the Press Congress. Mr. Farrington returned in the morning from the mainland and while away conferred with Dr. Walter Williams, dean of the School of Journalism of the University of Missouri, and president of the Press Congress, regarding the big meeting of newspaper men to be held at Honolulu this fall.

A HAPPY LAND.

Land Ownership and no
Income Tax.

TONGAN PREMIER IN SYDNEY.

Citizens of greater lands may be excused a shade of envy when told of the tranquil and organised prosperity of the little island community of Tonga, as described in an interview by its Premier, Mr. Tui Vakanoa, who arrived in Sydney with his wife by the Makura.

Mr. Vakanoa, who is travelling for the benefit of his health, and will probably visit Melbourne, Adelaide, and Brisbane, said that the group remained strictly independent, and was not troubled by international or colonial problems. The people were very contented, having their own Monarch, Ministry, Parliament, and flag. The Parliament consisted of seven members, elected by the people, and an equal number elected by the nobles or hereditary chiefs. There was no army, no navy, no national debt, and no income tax. At the end of last March the surplus of revenue over expenditure was more than £100,000, after paying for all public works and extraordinary works.

Under the Tongan legislation, the Premier said, as soon as each male became of age—16 years—he was obliged to own eight and a quarter acres of land, which was given to him gratis. He had to plant coconuts, yams, and other food on this land, sufficient for the supply of his own family, and also he had to plant amounts necessary to pay the educational tax.

Questioned about the likelihood of an island federation, the Premier said that Tonga would remain independent. The people were quite satisfied, as they were, and did not want any form of federation or commonwealth. When he was in Suva recently it was mentioned to him that there was a motion before the Fiji Parliament to bring about a federation of all the British islands in the Western Pacific. The Tongan Government, however, had no desire to enter into a discussion upon that question.

PRECEDENT BROKEN IN
JAPAN.Emperor Passes Through
Tokyo in Automobile.

Precedents and the rules of ceremonial Imperial etiquette that have prevailed in Japan through all the centuries of its history went down one after the other, before the wheels of an automobile on July 15.

For the first time, His Imperial Majesty, the Emperor, rode through the streets of his Capital in an automobile on an announced journey. He has previously been driven in a motor car, but always in the strictest incognito, and without the knowledge of the public.

BAYONETS ABSENT.

For the first time a ceremonious trip through the streets of the city was made without troops lining the roadside. This morning a few gendarmes and the ordinary police watched the route of the Imperial procession. The gleaming bayonets of the men of the Imperial Bodyguard, in long, stiff lines on each side of the streets, were absent. The flickering pennants of the lancers, riding smartly in front of and behind the usual red and gilt coach of state, were not present. Instead, a handsome automobile, driven by a chauffeur in the Imperial livery, rolled silently along, through rows of respectful people, between whom and their Emperor no guarding soldiery stood.

TRAFFIC NOT STOPPED.

For the first time the coming of the Emperor was not made known to the people by a complete stoppage of all street traffic for the usual half an hour before His Majesty came and for half an hour after he had passed. The streets were cleared just before the Imperial motor arrived, and traffic was resumed the moment the car sped past. The tram cars stopped for the passage of the Emperor, but were not held up blocks and blocks away as usual, but merely stopped where they happened to be. Passengers in the trams let down the windows and watched their Emperor, and no gendarmes issued the usual stern orders that the windows must be closed.

For the first time, the passing of His Majesty was not preceded by police visits to all buildings along the route, with orders that all must come to the ground floor while the Emperor passed, and with strict injunction peering at him against from upper storey windows.

Any one of these various things would be noteworthy. Coming altogether they can almost be said to be epoch marking in the matter of the relations that are to exist henceforth between the Ruler of Japan and his people. It is unnecessary to state that the new departures are welcomed by the people of Tokyo. His Majesty left in the morning for Shiohara, where he will stay for about two weeks returning to Tokyo then en route to his villa at Nikko, where he will spend the remainder of the summer.

RESULT OF CROWN PRINCE'S
TRIP.

Taking advantage of these summer plans, the Minister of the Imperial Household Viscount Makino, the Steward of the Household of Her Imperial Highness, the Vice-Minister of the Imperial Household and a number of other high Court officials have been in conference, planning for the simplification of the relations between Throne and people, with the results noted.

The decision to do away with troops and much of the pomp and circumstance that heretofore have marked every public movement of His Majesty was not arrived at without having to overcome strong opposition from the less democratic members of the Court circle.

It is reported that the strange events of July 5, are the first direct results of the visit abroad of the Crown Prince, and through the gap in the wall of precedence which was made when His Imperial Highness sailed for England are now pouring these later innovations, only a precursor of many more that are to follow.—Japan Times and Mail.

£535 FOR PORTRAIT BY
VERSPRONCK.

A portrait of a gentleman by the Dutch painter, Verspronck (1597-1662), a pupil of Frans Hals, realised £535 at Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley's sale at West-ten Park, Stevenage, Herts.

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GENERAL NEWS.

MRS. WILL CROOKS TO LEAVE
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It is the intention of Mrs. Will Crooks to reside at Gillingham, Kent.

JAPANESE SAILORS TO RESCUE.

A woman was rescued from drowning at Southsea by Japanese sailors, who raced to the spot in a rowing-boat.

"DIVINE SARAH" AS EVE.

Mme. Sarah Bernhardt is to play Eve in a new play, "Adam and Eve," by Sacha Guitry, to be produced in Paris shortly.

TEN TIMES MAYOR.

Captain E. W. Jeffry, ten times Mayor of Queenborough, Isle of Sheppey, has been presented with the freedom of the borough.

COST OF TROOPS IN
CONSTANTINOPLE

During the current year the monthly cost of maintaining the forces in Constantinople was £260,000.

LITERARY BURGLARS?

From the offices in Fleet-street of the "Jewish Guardian" burglars have stolen several typewriters and a number of articles and contributions.

TREASURE TROVE.

Digging on a farm at Abberlands, near Naven, Co. Meath, a labourer has unearthed a small earthenware jar full of silver coins dating from 1560 to 1600.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Tuesday, August 2nd to Tuesday, August 9th, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

G. E. ELLAMS,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 18th July, 1921.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

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2 cases Razors
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1 case Horse Clippers
1 case Scissors
7 dozen Black Shoe Leather
5 cases Cow Hides
10 cases Malt
1 case Kola Astier
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VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Members will be held at the Club on Friday, the 12th day of August, 1921, at 5.30 p.m., for the purpose of considering and passing the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for 1920 and of transacting all other business which ought to be transacted thereat.

R. C. WITCHELL,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd August, 1921.

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(1) That the provisions of the Company's Memorandum of Association with respect to its objects be altered so as to read as shown in the print signed for the purpose of identification by the Chairman of this Meeting.

and also for the following further purposes, namely:—

For the purpose of considering, and, if thought fit, approving the draft new Articles of the Company which will be submitted to the Meeting. A print of such new Articles and a print of the existing Articles may be seen at the Company's Registered Office in the Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street aforesaid. In such print the portions of the proposed new Articles which differ from the existing Articles are indicated by underlining in black ink and by marginal notes. Should the Meeting approve of such new Articles with or without modification, the subjoined Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution, namely:—

(2) That the new Articles already approved by this Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof, be and the same are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a SECOND EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL Pedder Street aforesaid, on SATURDAY, the THIRTEENTH DAY OF AUGUST, 1921, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above mentioned Meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as Special Resolutions, the above mentioned Resolutions (Nos. 1 and 2).

Should the first of the above Resolutions (No. 1) be confirmed as a Special Resolution by the requisite majority, the alterations in the Company's Memorandum of Association consequently involved will be submitted to the Supreme Court of Hongkong for confirmation.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the said SECOND EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING to be held as aforesaid will be continued for the purpose of considering, and, if thought fit, passing the following further Resolutions as Extraordinary Resolutions, namely:—

(3) That each of the existing 20,000 fully paid up shares of \$50 each constituting the Company's present Capital of \$1,000,000 be divided into 5 fully paid up shares of \$10 each so as to make such Capital \$1,000,000 consisting of 100,000 fully paid up shares of \$10 each.

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Though your theories are fine,
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For the stomach is the Master,
And you've got to fill it first.

You can speak with ease and unctious

Of the "proletarian state,"
But it isn't going to function—
Not for long, at any rate—
If starvation dulls the ardor
Of the proletariat

And there's nothing in the larder
Which would even feed a rat.

Though your armies win each battle,
Though your propagandists spread

Through the world their line of prattle
That is militantly red,
Though you print your cash in hummocks,

Still—Trotzky and Lenin,
If you don't fill people's stomachs,
Out you go upon your beam!

B.B.

(4) That after the division aforesaid, the Capital of the Company be increased from \$1,000,000 consisting as aforesaid, to \$2,500,000 divided into 250,000 shares of \$10 each by the creation of 150,000 new shares of \$10 each—such new shares (subject as hereinafter mentioned) to be issued at such time or times and on such terms and conditions in every respect as the Company's Board of Directors may think fit.

(5) That it is desirable to capitalise the sum of \$1,000,000 being part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of General Reserve, and accordingly that for the purpose of effecting such capitalisation such sum of \$1,000,000 be distributed as bonus among the shareholders of the Company in proportion to the shares in the Company's present Capital of \$1,000,000 held by them respectively on the date hereinafter referred to, and that a bonus be declared accordingly. And further that the Company's Board of Directors be and they are hereby authorised to satisfy such bonus as far as possible by the distribution in manner aforesaid of 100,000 shares of \$10 each credited as fully paid up among the persons who are registered as the holders of the shares constituting the Company's present Capital of \$1,000,000 or such date as the Company's Board of Directors shall decide—such last mentioned shares to rank pari passu with the shares constituting the Company's present Capital of \$1,000,000 in respect of all profits of the Company earned since the 31st December, 1920 and such distribution to be in satisfaction of the aforementioned bonus.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a THIRD EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Pedder Street aforesaid, on WEDNESDAY, the THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF AUGUST, 1921, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above mentioned Meeting in so far as regards Resolution Nos. 3, 4 and 5 above and of confirming, if thought fit, such last mentioned Resolutions as Special Resolutions.

Dated this fourteenth day of the July, 1921.
By Order of the Board.
J. H. TAGGART,
Manager.

BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE.

Further News from France.

The following radiogram from Bordeaux, dated 27th July, was received at Haiphong and published in the *Courrier* of that City—

All the French newspapers are commenting favourably on the results of the general meeting of the Banque Industrielle de Chine, which augurs well for the revival of that establishment.

The *Journal* makes a noteworthy statement that on the eve of its dispersal the Chamber of Deputies invited the Government to safeguard at all costs the influence of France in the Far East and to pursue in consequence all useful negotiations to avert a collapse of the Banque Industrielle de Chine, which, by reason of circumstances that are already well-known to our readers, represent a large part of our financial prestige in the Far East.

The Premier and M. Loucheur have exerted their utmost to give realisation to the vote of the Chamber which is in full accordance with their personal sentiments, and are on the point of attaining their object. But to enable them to achieve their task in a practical manner it is necessary that the shareholders should previously second the accounts of the last financial year and vote for the application of the transactional law that will serve as the basis for the reorganisation of the Bank projected according to the scheme submitted to the meeting and accepted by it: all the bank's credits would be paid by priority within six months of the confirmation of the transactional principle, the creditors would have the right to transform their accounts into privileged shares; the deposits at sight or on terms, would be refunded with interest and by steps, the dates of which will be ultimately fixed; the success, now certain, of that combination rests, as is known, on a loan of the Chinese Government, the guarantee of which is provided for by a new stamp tax specially created to that end. It follows from explanations made during the course of the meeting, that despite the frequent instability of her governments the credit of China remains above all contention, because this country of 400 millions of inhabitants has only 4 milliards of debts, and Chinese money actually commands a premium in all European markets. One can now foresee that the salvation of the Banque Industrielle de Chine will in a few days be an accomplished fact, conforming to the general interest, supported by the common will of the Government, of the Parliament and of the public view.

CHINESE NEWS.

The Latest From Kwangsi.

Our correspondent at Canton learns that three of the Kwangsi Commanders in Nanning have refused to surrender their munitions and have left with their forces for Mu Minz. On learning of this matter the Cantonese headquarters has again ordered an attack. An ultimatum has also been sent to the Kwangsi commander at Loong C'ow stating that if he does not hand over the ammunition in his possession by a certain date he will be attacked and captured.

President Sun Yat-sen has sent three well-known representatives to interview General Chan King-ming on the northern front respecting the question of an expedition against the north. Pending the return of these men a "Financing for Union Bureau" is to be established at Canton and it is confidently expected that \$10,000,000 will be subscribed by Chinese more or less abroad who desire to see their country unified. A declaration will be made that the funds will not be spent for any other purpose.

It is reported that General Chan King-ming has called the truce he granted a few days ago, owing to the action of Sun Hung-jing, the Kwangsi commander of the left wing.

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—9.15 p.m.—

THE WONDERFUL DRAMATIC PRODUCTION

"THE VENGEANCE OF THE WILD"

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Charles Wheelock & Lorraine Otto.

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5.15 p.m. "TO HONOR & OBEY"

2.15 p.m. and 7.15 p.m.

13th & 14th episodes of "THE MOON RIDERS."

THE KOWLOON ROBBERY.

Plucky Ricksha Coolie.

In consequence of the armed robbery committed on Miss Julia Ahwee on the old Kowloon City-Yau-mat road, (reported previously in this paper), one of the alleged perpetrators was this morning charged by Sub-Inspector McNab Wilson and committed for trial at the forthcoming Criminal Sessions.

It was stated by Miss Ahwee in evidence that she was returning to her home in a ricksha when two men whom she had previously noted, and who had followed her behind the ricksha, stopped the vehicle, and at the point of a dagger took from her a gold wrist watch and a finger ring. They then fled, but one of them was followed by the ricksha coolie and eventually arrested by a Chinese ex-police sergeant. The ring was recovered, and the watch was later traced to a pawnshop and likewise returned.

THE WORLD THEATRE.

At the World Theatre to-night and for the following nights will be screened a powerful and romantic love play entitled "Vengeance of the Wilds" in 5 parts featuring Charles Wheelock and Lorraine Otto in the principal roles. The story takes place in the wilds of Africa and subsequently in New York and is full of thrilling incidents and should not be missed by appreciative picture loving audience.

On Friday the 12th inst. until Monday the 15th inst. at 9.15 p.m. will be screened the powerful Melodrama "The Flame of Yukon" which Miss Dalton as the "Flame" stands supreme in her role as the Queen in a Dance Hall in Alaska.

Patrons are reminded that the masterful new William Fox photoplay "To Honour and Obey" starring Gladys Brookwell as Lorraine Hallam will be shown at the matinees from Tuesday to Thursday at 5.15 p.m.

ST. DUNSTON'S HOME.

Engineers' Institute Thanked.

Mr. S. Baker, the Hon. Secretary of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong has received the following letter from Sir Arthur Pearson—

Dear Sir.—I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter containing the further generous contribution of £100, which has been given for the benefit of St. Dunstan's funds by the Members of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong.

I enclose an official receipt for this amount, and with it I hope you will accept yourself and convey to the members, an expression of very sincere and cordial thanks on behalf of the men who will benefit by such continued practical interest in their welfare.

This continued assistance is most welcome, coming as it does at a time when, owing to the period of industrial unrest in which we have come, money is increasingly difficult to obtain for the carrying on of the work in which you and the Members of the Institution are so sincerely interested.

Renewing my thanks,
Yours faithfully,
ARTHUR PEARSON
Chairman-Blinded Soldiers' and Sailors' Care Committee.

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Hongkong, 2nd August, 1921.

WORLD-WIDE SPORT.

A bold and determined attempt to suppress rumanism at race meetings is being made by Scotland Yard in the large area for which the Metropolitan Police are responsible. The rapid expansion of the flying squad and a newly-developed system between the London and provincial police is expected to go a long way towards overcoming the undesirables.

Blackburn, riding a Harley-Davidson, won the motor cycle race Derby, from Durban to Johannesburg, a distance of 396 miles. His time was 10 hrs. 12 mins., which is a record.

Dick Kerr's team of lady footballers, who, since their establishment during the war, have raised just over £4,000 for charitable purposes, have been presented by the executive of the National Federation of Ex-Service Men with the Hoggie Cup, given by Mr. Hoggie, the Member for East Edinburgh, in appreciation of their services on behalf of ex-Service men generally.

The time of 4 mins. 44.1-5 secs. returned by the winner for the last mile in the Leon De Nys-M-Crae race is the fastest ever recorded for the last mile in a ten-mile run.

George Duncan writes about the capacity Miss Cecil Leitch

has of producing the winning stroke at the vital moment. In that respect she is, he says, like Mr. Cyril Tolley, a great match winner, who may appear anxious when things are going wrong, but who is never beaten until the last putt is down.

The Olympic Congress at Lausanne decided to eliminate golf, hockey, and archery from the Games. Rugby football is to be included.

An unusual accident occurred at Fort Morgan, Colorado, when Mr. Paul Jones, a local business man, swung his golf club so hard, in making a drive that his right arm was broken when he failed to hit the ball.

Commenting on the defeat of G. M'Crae by Leon de Nys in the 10 miles professional championship of the world at Paris, the "Sporting Life" says: "The Scottish champion's defeat in what appears to be the somewhat slow time of 34 mins. 20.2-5 secs. is amply explained. Whether M'Crae is the runner he was three years ago, when he covered the 10 miles in 50 min. 55 secs., may be open to question, but it is equally doubtful whether he would in any case have beaten the flying Belgian, who ran his last mile in 4 mins. 44.1-5 secs., a sensational performance in a 10 mile race, and his last lap in 66.3-5 secs."

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From HAMBURG, ROTTER-
 DAM, LA ROCHELLE PALICE,
 GENOA AND LISBON.

The Steamship

"TJIMANOEK"

having arrived from the above
 ports, consignees of cargo by her
 are notified that all goods are
 being landed at their risk into
 the hazardous and/or extra-
 hazardous godowns of the Hong-
 kong & Kowloon Wharf &
 Godown Co. Ltd., whence and/or
 from the wharves delivery may
 be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 14th,
 Aug. 1921 will be subject to rent.
 All broken, chafed and damaged
 packages are to be left in the
 godowns, where they will be
 examined on the 13th Aug.
 1921 at 10 a.m. by Messrs.
 Goddard & Douglas.

Claims against the steamer
 must be presented in writing
 within ten days after arrival of
 steamer, otherwise they will not
 be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be
 effected by the undersigned in any
 case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be counter-
 signed by

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN,
 General Agents,
 Hongkong, 5th August, 1921.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE ADMIRAL LINE.

The Steamship

"MONTAGUE"

having arrived from Portland Ore
 via ports, on 4th inst. consignees
 are hereby notified that their
 cargo is being landed at their
 risk into the Godowns of The
 Hon Shan Godown Co. Nos. 16
 and 17, Kennedy Town, Praya,
 Hongkong, and stored at con-
 signees' risk.

Consignees of cargo must pro-
 duce an Import permit signed by
 the Superintendent of Imports
 and Exports, Hongkong, before
 Bills of Lading will be counter-
 signed.

All broken, chafed and damag-
 ed cargo is to be left in the Go-
 downs where it will be examined
 at 10 a.m. on 10th inst. by the
 Company's Surveyors, Messrs.
 Goddard & Douglas.

All claims must be presented
 within thirty days of the steam-
 er's arrival here, after which they
 cannot be recognized. No claims
 will be recognized after the goods
 have left the Godowns, and cargo
 undelivered on and after 11th
 inst. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever
 will be effected.

Consignees are requested to
 send in their Bills of Lading for
 countersignature immediately.

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From NEW YORK.

are hereby notified that the Cargo
 will be discharged into Holt's
 Wharf, Kowloon, where it will
 lie at Consignees' risk. The
 Cargo will be ready for delivery
 from Godown on and after 5th
 August.

Optional cargo will be landed,
 unless notice has been given prior
 to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damag-
 ed goods are to be left in the
 Godowns, where they will be
 examined on any Tuesdays and
 Fridays between the hours of
 10.45 a.m. and noon within the
 free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after
 the Goods have left the steamer's
 Godown, and all Goods remaining
 undelivered after the 11th Aug.
 will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer
 must be presented to the under-
 signed on or before the 25th Aug.,
 or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be
 effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
 Agents.

Hongkong, 5th Aug., 1921.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.
 AND
 CHINA MUTUAL STEAM
 NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Consignees per Company's

"ASCANIUS"

are hereby notified that the Cargo
 will be discharged into Holt's
 Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie
 at Consignees' risk. The Cargo
 will be ready for delivery from
 Godown on and after 8th August.

Optional cargo will be landed,
 unless notice has been given prior
 to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damag-
 ed goods are to be left in the
 Godowns, where they will be
 examined on any Tuesdays and
 Fridays between the hours of
 10.45 a.m. and noon within the
 free storage period.

No claims will be admitted
 after the Goods have left the
 steamer's Godown, and all Goods
 remaining undelivered after the
 15th August, will be subject to
 rent.

All Claims against the Steamer
 must be presented to the under-
 signed on or before the 29th Aug.,
 or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be
 effected.

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Hongkong, 7th August, 1921.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"TAIYO MARU."

From SAN FRANCISCO via
 HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS,
 SHANGHAI & MANILA.

The above named Steamer hav-
 ing arrived on Friday the 5th inst.
 Consignees of cargo are hereby
 notified to present their Bills of
 Lading for countersignature, and
 take immediate delivery from
 alongside steamer or the Com-
 pany's Godown, where all cargo
 impeding immediate discharge
 will be landed at Consignees' risk.

Storage will be assessed on
 cargo remaining undelivered after
 Friday, the 12th August, 1921.

All broken, chafed and damaged
 packages will be landed into the
 Company's Godown, where same
 will be examined on Saturday,
 the 13th Aug., 1921, at 10 a.m.

No claims will be recognised
 after the goods have left the
 steamer or Godown, and none
 will be entertained if presented
 later than three weeks after
 arrival of steamer.

No fire insurance whatever will
 be effected.

Y. TSUTSUMI,

Manager.

Hongkong, 5th August, 1921.

EXPORT OF COIN.

Judge Pedro Concepcion, in a
 decision rendered at Manila, ruled
 that coins are not merchandise
 and that the collector of Customs
 cannot confiscate the same upon
 being exported without permission
 from his office. This ruling came
 about when the court decided the
 case in connection with the at-
 tempted exportation of \$6,000 in
 silver, by Chuan Kuan Lek, a
 Chinese merchant, on the Wenat-
 chee some time ago. Judge Con-
 cepcion ordered that the money
 be returned to Chuan Kuan Lek
 by the confiscator, the collector
 of customs.

PEKING MEDICAL
COLLEGE.The Institution that Is to Open
Next Month.

In the reconstruction of China,
 stress must be placed upon one
 most important factor—the
 health of her citizens and freeing
 them from disease.

The opening on September 15
 of the Peking Medical College—
 a seat of medical learning which
 rivals in the quality of its training,
 equipment and buildings many of
 the biggest of such institutions
 in Western lands—will mark one
 of the biggest steps yet taken to-
 wards the progress of this vital
 culture in the Republic.

Physicians, who have visited
 the medical school group of
 buildings, where most of the
 instruction during the first two
 years of the medical course is
 given, have gone into raptures
 over the institution. This
 section of the College, which
 was opened in 1919, is
 unique, the building itself on so
 palatial a scale as to rank with
 the new home of the Hongkong
 and Shanghai Bank. The former
 is equipped with every feature
 and equipment necessary for
 elementary and advanced teach-
 ing in the surgical and clinical
 branches of the profession. A
 small private pavilion adjoining
 the main building makes it
 possible for patients to secure
 professional services of the staff
 without entering the public
 wards.

Those who are helping to spread
 this teaching at the Peking Union
 Medical College by no means con-
 fine their attention to teaching
 alone. The college is also a large
 hospital, where the treatment
 given to patients is as up-to-date
 in every respect as that given at
 hospitals in Western lands.

A gathering of eminent physi-
 cians of all nations will take part
 in September in the ceremony of
 dedicating this temple of learning
 to China. Their visit to Peking
 will also be the occasion of
 numerous addresses on every
 branch of medical science. Dr.
 George de Schweinitz, Professor
 of Ophthalmology, University of
 Pennsylvania, Dr. S. M. Pearce,
 of the Rockefeller Foundation,
 Dr. T. Tuffier, Professor of
 Medicine, University of Paris, Dr.
 R. T. Leiper, of the London School
 of Tropical Medicine, and Dr. W.
 H. Welch, Professor Emeritus

of Pathology, Johns Hopkins
 University, will be among the
 most distinguished visitors.

As a training ground for native
 teachers of medicine particularly,
 the institution is chiefly note-
 worthy, all of them being required
 to graduate in certain branches of
 medicine and serve for a long
 period as practitioners. Students
 are required first of all to com-
 plete a course of studies in the
 Pre-Medical School, in which
 they are taught chemistry,
 physics and natural sciences
 allied to medicine and surgery.
 The next step is the Medical
 School, where opportunities
 are eventually given to the
 student to specialize in subjects
 which particularly interest him,
 while research work is much en-
 couraged.

A training school for nurses
 was opened for admission to
 women students in 1920, where a
 four years' course is given in
 theoretical work under foreign-
 trained instructors.

Other buildings are to be added
 to the College, which will include
 tuberculosis and children's wards,
 and an isolation hospital.—
 N.C.D.N.

THE HAN RIVER
BREAKS OUT.New Dyke at Chinkow
Gives Way.

A report from Wuchang states
 that the dyke at Chinkow, on the
 River Han, has given way, with
 disastrous results, the catastrophe
 being on an even greater scale
 than that of two years ago.

The break took place in the
 middle of the night, and numbers
 of people, who otherwise might
 have escaped were washed away
 in the confusion of the darkness.
 The water inside the embankment
 is said to have spread out as wide
 as 200 ft.

This all spells utter destitution,
 misery and despair for many
 farmers, who were just beginning
 by superhuman efforts and often
 by borrowed capital to clear their
 fields of the sand and rubbish
 carried down by the previous
 flood.

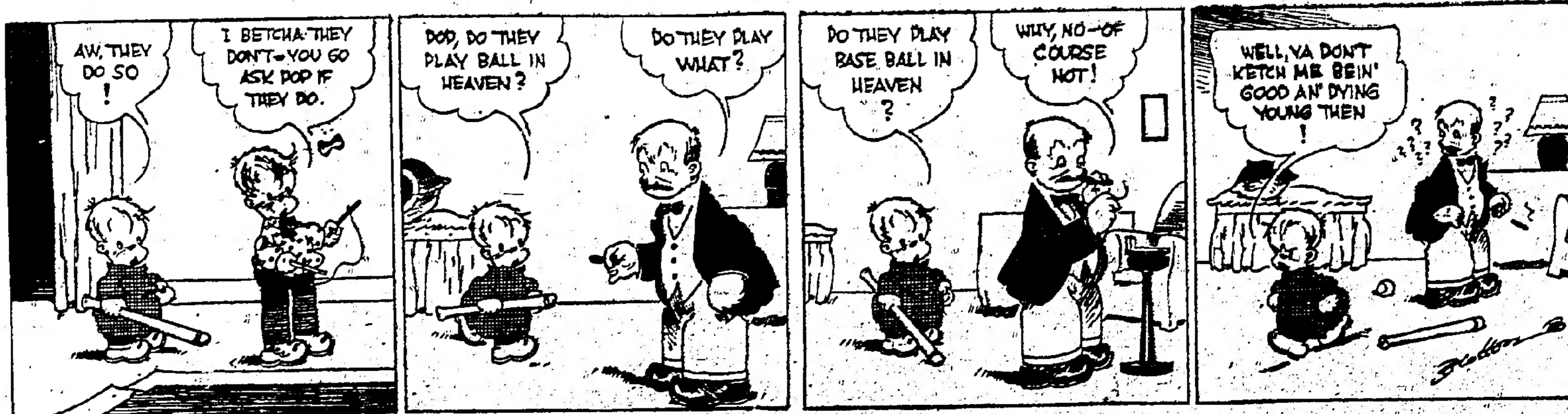
DR. BERTRAND RUSSELL.

Dr. Russell gave a lecture at
 the Kelo University before a large
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Birth.

DAY.—On August 8th. to Mr. and Mrs. J. Day, of the University of Hongkong, a daughter.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 1921.

THE IRISH DIFFICULTY.

Admittedly, this is the wrong time to begin discussing Ireland. A truce between the forces of the Crown and Sinn Fein is being observed for the purpose of giving better chance of success to the negotiations in progress for effecting a permanent settlement of this old, old problem. While that truce is operating and while those negotiations are in progress the less said about Ireland, from a controversial point of view, the better. We do not propose to violate that argument, but the cable which came to hand yesterday speaking of a critical position having arisen owing to the Government's decision not to release the Sinn Fein. McKewen, leads one to express the hope that such will not be the end of the present negotiations. There has been far too much done and hopes have been raised too high.

In granting freedom to all the members of the Sinn Fein Parliament the Government has undoubtedly acted wisely, because the majority of them were incarcerated for offences purely political in character. Whether it should extend the pardon to a man who is supposed to be guilty of murder is another matter, but inasmuch as the "murder" must have been political also there is more than a little justification for the demands of Dail Eireann. The possibility of Sinn Fein terminating the truce should be sufficient to persuade the Home Government to reverse its decision, and it is more than a little unfortunate that Mr. Lloyd George is away at Paris at the moment attending to other important business. His Majesty the King, to whom credit has already been given for the great part he has played in the matter of Irish peace, will possibly exercise his prerogative to prevent the breaking off of relations that have so much yield. One could not help feeling, when reading the recent debate in the House of Lords, that the "last ditchers" will be hard to placate if Britain relinquishes too wide a measure of self-control to Ireland, though Lord Birkenhead was none too veiled in his reply to the debate. He clearly indicated that if Parliament refused to accept the settlement that might be agreed to by Sinn Fein, then the Government would possibly seek other powers. That is a rather roundabout way of saying that the Government would appeal to the country. If it did we fancy that the "country" is so anxious to have the differences settled and the bloodshed stopped that it would endorse any agreement with a very hearty readiness.

We shall all be anxious to know the sequel of the present rift in the proceedings. There have been indications before this that all was not well between the proposals of the Government and the views of De Valera, but the hopeful sign all through has been the expressed willingness to continue the truce. That at least indicates that the position was not one of impossible differences; if it had been, the truce would have been called off long ago. All that we can do out here is to hope that the statesmen in whose hands this problem has been left will be guided by a breadth of vision and the spirit of compromise.

[Since the above was written a late telegram is to hand saying that McKewen is to be released at once.—Ed.]

NOTES & COMMENTS.**The Cession of Kowloon.**

The Home journals contain references to the cession of Mr. H. R. Parkes, formerly of Shanghai. Mr. Parkes was the son of Sir Harry Parkes, who negotiated the cession of Kowloon peninsula to the British Crown after the war between Britain and France, on the one side, and China, on the other, in 1860. In the early days of the outbreak Sir Harry (then Mr. Parkes) had an escape of the thrilling type. He was captured, with other Britishers, in the streets of Peking and taken to Prince Kung, the Prime Minister, who had been left in charge of the capital, the Court having retreated to the provinces. A few days later the prisoners were set at liberty. Their release was only just in time. No sooner had they been liberated than a courier arrived with an order for their immediate decapitation. This was sent at the instigation of Tzu Hsi, afterwards celebrated as the Dowager Empress, who already exercised a dominant influence in the councils of China. Sir Harry Parkes, after serving as Minister to China, occupied a similar post at Tokyo.

Herr Harden's Candour.

That trenchant Berlin publicist Maximilian Harden, who in pre-war days had more than one tussle with the Ju. kers, has delivered himself in the following candid terms to a representative of the Paris journal, *L'Europe*: "Germany is persuaded that she was not the author of the war; that she was not defeated, but stabbed in the back by a conspiracy of Bolsheviks, Socialists, and Jews; and that she was taken in by Wilson's 'Fourteen Points,' and disarmed after being made to submit to terrible conditions. I have been alone or nearly alone in saying for two years past that we must look at things from quite a different point of view, and that what France asks for is not treasures she can gloat over, but only a part of what we have caused her to lose. The German Governments up to the present have committed every possible mistake. Hitherto the German Governments have not been straightforward, and if they have now accorded you something, you owe it only to the fact that you have force behind you. The Reichstag and the Press are responsible for the frightful state of mind in which you see my country. Both have misguidedly this poor nation to such an extent that they have now not merely the impression, but the superstition that everything you demand is terribly unjust." Germans, of course, will deny that Herr Harden is entitled to speak for Germany. All the same his remarks concerning the peace negotiations coincide pretty well with the views of many Allied observers of high standing. Happily, there are signs that the new Chancellor realises that the Treaty of Versailles is not to be trifled with.

An Epic Struggle.

The descriptions in the London journals of the annual A. A. A. championships demonstrate that the mile race produced an epic struggle. This was the nineteenth meeting since the distance was covered in 4 m. 16.45 sec, the best in the series of championship gatherings. Last month A. Hill, a well-known London runner, who has represented Britain in the Olympic Games, brought the time down to 4 m. 13.45 sec, while H.B. Stallard, of Cambridge University, a member of the "Varsities" team that has lately been competing in America, was only a fraction behind. Thus two runners beat the 19-year-old A. A. A. record on the same afternoon. An excited spectator of the event was the holder of that record, and another was W. G. George, for many years holder of the world's record of 4 m. 12.34 sec. That record had easily stood since the 'eighties, soon after George had turned professional, until in 1915 it was beaten by an American, N. S. Tabor, by the hairbreadth difference between a quarter of a second and a fifth of a second, the new record being 4 m. 12.35 sec. (for some reason professional times are taken in quarters and amateur times in fifths). This means that it is quite possible that George's time was really faster than Tabor's, because while anything over half a second would be registered as three-quarters the time may actually have been less than three-fifths.

DAY BY DAY.

COURAGE IS THE HIGHEST AND PERHAPS THE RAREST QUALITY AMONG POLITICIANS. IT IS ESPECIALLY NEEDED IN DEMOCRATIC COUNTRIES.—Viscount Bryce.

A valuable steel measure has been stolen from the office of Mr. Goldsmith at the P.W.D.

The only case of notifiable disease reported yesterday was one of paratyphoid fever in which the sufferer was a Malay.

A cargo pilferer convicted of the theft of 3½ dozen handkerchiefs from the Blue Funnel liner *Ascanius* was this morning sentenced to four months' hard labour by Mr. G. N. Orme.

The gold ring reported by Mr. Kennet, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, as missing from his residence at No. 115 the Peak, has been recovered, it was stated this morning by the Police.

Money, jewellery and clothing of the total value of \$82.50 were stolen from a cargo junk anchored in the Yaumati shelter, it was reported yesterday by the mistress of the boat to the Police.

The theft of a sum of \$50 from a cupboard is reported by Mr. Nichols of No. 4 the Peak to the Police. A houseboy, who is suspected of having opened the cupboard with a duplicate key and stolen the money, is missing.

A returned Chinese emigrant who arrived in the Colony by the T.K.K. *Taiyo Maru* was arrested on the Shekpi ferry in consequence of the discovery of a revolver concealed in a perambulator, and was this morning fined \$50 by Mr. R. E. Lindsell.

A dispute over money matters led to the stabbing of a tea-house coolie at Winglok Street yesterday. The victim sustained two wounds, one in the left arm and the other in the right side. The assailant fled and his victim has since been taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

Injured in an accident caused by a tramcar, a Chinese was yesterday taken to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from bruises to his head and left thigh. It has not yet been ascertained by the Police whether the accident, which took place at Shauiwan West, was caused by the man being knocked down by the tramcar or whether it was due to an attempt to alight from the vehicle whilst it was in motion.

Kowloon City was the scene of a robbery with violence in the small hours of yesterday morning, when five men, carrying torches, entered a house occupied by two women. A thorough overhaul was made of the property. Articles of the total value of \$150 were secured by the robbers before they made their escape. Subsequently in consequence of the alarm raised, the Police undertook investigations and arrested four suspects who were charged before the Court this morning. A remand was ordered by the Magistrate in response to an application made by Sub-Inspector Mc Nab Wilson.

Since the capture of Wuchow and other cities in Kwangsi, considerable copper coins have, says the *Canton Times*, been sent to these places for circulation which greatly decreases the supply of these coins in Canton. Consequently, the market value of these coins has risen. Previously, a twenty-cent silver coin could have in exchange about 24 or 25 of these coins. At present only 23 copper coins are exchanged for one twenty-cent piece. In order to maintain the value of these coins at their normal price, the authorities have instructed the Government Mint to put out more of these copper coins for circulation both in this province and in Kwangsi.

WANTED, TWO PIED PIPERS.

It was proposed to appoint two rat inspectors, one at 7 guineas per week and the other at six, at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, London. Unless they were Pied Pipers, however, the proposer did not think the appointments of much use.

SINGAPORE CABLES.**Increased Customs Duties.**

Singapore, August 9. The Federated Malay States customs duties have been increased via—Tobacco, by 100 per cent, and Liquors by 50 per cent. Similar increases have been imposed in the Colony of Singapore.

Highway Robberies.

Many unemployed coolies from estates have taken to highway robbery in the Province of Wellesley and numerous crimes are reported.

The Shipping Judgment.

In the Legislative Council the Hon. Mr. F. S. James (Colonial Secretary) in a lengthy apology relating to the shipping judgment, declared that he acted with the highest patriotic motives and under the advice of the Attorney-General, the late Sir G. A. Goodman. He challenged the judge's interpretation of his action.

NEW BUILDING SCHEME.**Fifty-Six Houses at West Point.**

A Chinese syndicate, of which Mr. Li Sing-kui is the head, is building, at West Point, four blocks of dwellings, containing in all fifty-six houses, or, if split up into floors, 168 flats. The plans, which have been prepared by Messrs. Raven and Raven, have been passed, and the work of levelling the site should be commenced in about a month. The houses will be erected on a site on the hillside between Sands Street and Pokfulam Road. They will be in four rows, one behind the other, and the hill is sufficiently steep here to allow those residing in the houses at the back a clear view of the sea over the tops of the houses in front of them. Retaining walls have to be built before it will be possible to begin erecting the houses and the preparation of the site alone will cost something in the neighbourhood of \$100,000. Each of the fifty-six houses will contain three storeys and each floor will consist of four rooms, kitchen, servants' quarters, bathroom, etc. In front of each will be a small garden and the two upper storeys will have verandahs. The cost of erecting the four blocks is estimated at about \$450,000, which, with the \$100,000 for the preparation of the site, makes \$550,000, or a little under \$10,000 a house.

It is expected that there will be no difficulty in disposing of the houses when they are completed and enquiries have been made by several people already. They will probably be taken up by Chinese.

CLAIM AGAINST THE U.S. SHIPPING BOARD.**Interesting Action Settled.**

We understand that the action recently brought in the Courts in Hongkong by Dunbar Brothers Company Limited against the United States Shipping Board Emergency Fleet Corporation for damage by sweat to flour consigned to the plaintiffs and which had been carried by the United States Shipping Board vessel *s.s. "Montague"* from Oregon to Hongkong has been settled by payment in full.

The plaintiffs maintained that the damage was caused by the blocking off of ventilators leading to the hold where the flour was stowed in order to allow a deck cargo of lumber. The *s.s. "Montague"* returned to Hongkong on Thursday last and the evidence of the officers on board was to be taken before the Puisne Judge on Friday in order that it might be before the Court at the subsequent trial of the action. Just before the hearing, however, the Admiral Line, who are the Local Agents for the United States Shipping Board, communicated through their solicitors to the plaintiffs' solicitors and agreed to pay the full amount of the claim.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received by the American Consulate General, Hongkong, from the Manila Observatory at 4.45 p.m. yesterday:—
"Cyclone or typhoon, Pacific Ocean, about halfway between the Mariana Islands and Luzon, moving W. or W.N.W."

MOTOR CASE.**Dr Pearse Fined.**

At the Magistracy yesterday the licensee of motor cycle No. 263 was summoned by Sergeant Smith before Mr. R. E. Lindsell for driving his cycle in a reckless or negligent manner and at a speed dangerous to the public in Praya East at 4.10 p.m. on the 29th ult.

Dr. W. W. Pearse, Medical Officer of Health, the licensee, was very astonished when I heard that this charge had been brought against me. Until I have heard what evidence is being brought against me I cannot visualise the event. I must know the exact position of affairs first.

Sergeant Smith said that while walking in the middle of the tram lines in Praya East on foot patrol he heard the sound of a motor car horn. Shortly after, defendant's car, with a side car attached, passed him at a speed, which he estimated at 25 miles an hour. At the same time a motor car came out from the Union Garage and tram No. 18 was then proceeding westward. The motor car turned eastward. Defendant shot between the tram and the motor car and there would have been a collision had not the motor-man of the tram applied his emergency brake.

Dr. Pearse: Have you often seen me riding my cycle with the side car?

Sergeant Smith: Yes. Did you identify me or the cycle?—Both you and the cycle. I was surprised to see you going at that speed because you have always travelled at a slow speed.

How did you calculate my speed?—I have been riding motor cycles myself.

In reply to further questions, Sergeant Smith said that it was impossible for him to have accidentally exaggerated Dr. Pearse's speed. In fact he had under-estimated it.

Dr. Pearse: Was I forced from my ordinary position on the left to swerve to the middle of the road in order to avoid a car which came out from the garage?

Sergeant Smith said defendant was obeying the traffic regulations when he went to the middle of the road.

The motorman of tram No. 18 said Dr. Pearse was going towards Causeway Bay. He passed the motor car of the Union Garage and, witness fearing a collision, pulled the tram.

Examined by defendant, the motorman said there was enough room for defendant to pass between his tram and the motor. Defendant was running great risks of being in a collision. The cycle was a few inches from the rails on which his tram was travelling.

At the conclusion of the evidence Dr. Pearse said that he did not wish to impute the good faith of the motorman and the Sergeant, but he believed his speed had been accidentally exaggerated and that the motorman was unduly alarmed. He maintained that there was ample room for him to pass through. It was not his habit to speed as Sergeant Smith had said, and his licence could prove it. He could not visualise any great speed being made by him. If he had caused unnecessary alarm to the passengers of the tram his regret was as great as his astonishment.

Mr. Lindsell: You have no other evidence?

Dr. Pearse said he had no other evidence. His side car was empty. He was on his way home from his garage near the Central Market to take two children to a bathing picnic.

Mr. Lindsell said it was clear that defendant was going at a speed exceeding the speed limit (15 miles) and he fined him \$10.

ARTIST'S ESTATE.

Mr. Wm. Strang, R.A., the late president of the International Society of Sculptors, Painters, and Gravers, left £5,219.

Between Ourselves

By Robt. MacWhirter.

Aye, we had a bit of a tiff last night. I'm no' going to mention any names, mind ye; no I wouldn't be guilty of that for the world. Did ye ever notice that the night ye shut up your desk time for tea, that that's the very night the house is empty and your no' I'm no' going to mention names—well, anyway the house is empty and the wife's no' down at the ferry waiting on ye either. Aye, it's a funny custom in this Colony, this going out to afternoon tea and staying in other folks' houses till their cook-boy shoves his head in the drawing room and announces in a clear, loud voice "Dinner have got, Missie." Then there's a general scramble, I suppose, much looking at under-sized wrist-watches and general amazement at how the time passes so quickly. I know these gim-crack watches of old—never out of the jewellers and all the rest of it—they're aye stopping, that's true, but by the Hokey Fly when it begins to get dark outside and the cook boy starts to beat up the eggs in the pantry, it's a poor kind o' intelligence that has to depend on a cumsa gold-plated watch to tell them the time. How some of yon women folks have the nerve to come home in the dark from some o' yon tea and bridge seances beats me. Of course, as I said before I'm mentioning no names.

But I was nice enough about it last night for all that. To begin wi', I mean. I met them at the door with a smile only to be met wi' a look of blank astonishment, as the lawyers say, on the other part. "What was wrong wi' me the night?" says she (still no' mentioning no names). "Well what was wrong ondyway? Wasn't I aye home for my dinner? Did she realise what time it was?" all of which was met wi' a sniff. I was either in the moon or in the midden: I was either home at the back of four or dinner had to be waited 'till I crawled in at half-past eight full of cockles and second-hand jokes. "Crawled?" That tore it. "Crawled." It was just at this point that our optum crazed chef woke up and trembled so that he slopped some soup on the table cloth. What happened afterwards, I believe, is known in Naval Strategy as causing a diversion. It was a most successful diversion. Our cook at the end of ten minutes was so diverted that he discovered the remains of some original dignity tucked away in his opiate-dulled

brain and during a breath-regaining lull tendered his notice and demanded his money on the spot. That's where I got a bit o' my own back. I pointed out how wrong it was to lose one's temper before the servants and how in any case fat folk should never—"Fat?" My God! The typhoon occurred. And it was, nearly three hours later before the last signal was lowered.

Some o' the real tragedies of life are comedies—at least viewed from the standpoint of the beholders. The greater the personal tragedy the more comic it seems to those who are not directly concerned. (Isn't that a good style I am adopting?—something between the Psalms and Macaulay. You will all feel an immense uplift by the time you have finished this screed.)

Such things as twins, sea-sickness, o'd maids, being chased by a bull, etc., are all very funny when they're no' happening to you, but, of course, they lose the full flavour of their humour when you happen to be acting the leading part. I was once chased by a bull, so I know. I believe I kept the whole party in shrieks of laughter for five minutes. But to me that five minutes was like an eternity. I felt like all the early Christians in the world rolled into one, and the bull seemed to be the biggest and wildest bull the wide-world ever.

You can never get away from fat. Like the poor, it is always with you. Waking or sleeping, it haunts you.

Fat kills all the romantic side of life. Imagine a fat Melisande who, when adjured to "Look deep, look deep in the water, Melisande," couldn't bend sufficiently low to see her reflection. Nobody ever really minds being too thin. When you hear some one say "How I wish I could put on a little weight, I'd give anything to have your figure," you can put your tongue in your cheek. It is merely a cheap form of self-litany.

The only thing to be said for past eight full of cockles and second-hand jokes. "Crawled?" That tore it. "Crawled." It was just at this point that our optum crazed chef woke up and trembled so that he slopped some soup on the table cloth. What happened afterwards, I believe, is known in Naval Strategy as causing a diversion. It was a most successful diversion. Our cook at the end of ten minutes was so diverted that he discovered the remains of some original dignity tucked away in his opiate-dulled

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ON THE WATERFRONT.

West River Trade.

The more or less chaotic state of the Kwangsi Province still acts as a barrier to trade between towns on the West River and Hongkong, Canton and Macao. Nearly all the fleet of vessels regularly engaged in freighting to Wuchow and other ports higher up on the Nanning river remains idle and no hope for a re-commencement of business is held out until conditions become more established in the province. Beyond Wuchow there is no guarantee that a vessel will not be fired upon by soldiers and the uncertainty of a vessel escaping damage, or being attacked by pirates is one of the reasons why there is no traffic westward of that port. Junkies have disappeared from the river and what small amount of cargo offering there is being handled by the steam tonnage still running. Quite a number of steamers is tied up at Wuchow waiting for the movement of freight to set in again.

As to Hongkong and Kwangsi Province there is no business going on now, it was said this morning. The only shipments that are leaving Hongkong are small ones of such trifling importance that it is no exaggeration to say that there is at present a complete lapse of trade between the two districts. Iried fish and other edible stuffs are the only lines leaving the Colony.

There is no inclination on the part of local Chinese business houses to deal up-river owing to the shortage of money and the low depreciation of what little there is in circulation. Kwangsi bank-notes for \$1 are worth only 17 cents in Hongkong to-day, it is stated.

A Kwangsi note suffers a discount of 80 per cent. when exchanged for Chinese silver and then there is 15 per cent discount on the 20 cent silver coin when it is turned into Hongkong currency. The supplies of firewood and meat from the towns on the river usually marketed in Hongkong are now coming down in smaller quantities owing to the disturbed state of the country and the slight effect of this condition shows itself by increases of a cent or two in the prices of these commodities locally.

J.C.J. Line's Building Programme.

The shipbuilding programme of the Java China Japan Line now being fulfilled calls for the construction of four up-to-date freighters, delivery to be made before the new year, it was announced at the Hongkong offices of the company this morning. Of the four vessels, which will be practically sister ships of two classes, two will be of 8,000 tons gross. The other two vessels will have a deadweight capacity of about 13,000 tons. A Scottish yard is building the smaller steamers while a Dutch shipbuilding firm has construction of the larger under way.

The Tjikandi is the first of the four to be launched. She slid from the ways of Messrs. Robert Duncan & Co. at Port Glasgow on June 21, according to information reaching the Colony by the last mail. The principal dimensions of the vessel are:—Length, 467 feet; breadth, 54 feet; and depth, 37 feet. The ships will be fitted with machinery of the very latest type. Double reduction geared turbine engines will be installed by Messrs. David Rowan & Co., of Glasgow. The bigger ships building in Holland are not so advanced in construction as the Tjikandi and her twin ship. It will be some months before they are completed and so far little is known of them locally beyond the size of their cargo holds.

CANTON AND HONGKONG.

Another Complaint.

Shum Hung-ying, one of the Kwangsi militarists who declared independence of their warlord Luk Wing-ting at the last moment of defeat is still active in his intrigues against the Cantonese troops in Kwangsi.

In order to assist him in his intrigues, Shum Hung-ying is reported to have established his headquarters in Hongkong. The address given is on the third floor of No. 24 Hing Hon Road, Hongkong, which is in the charge of a certain Liang.

The Hongkong Government should take steps to have such headquarters closed so as to assist the Cantonese authorities to prevent further disorders and disturbances in the province which is essential to the promotion of trade and commerce.

Cablegrams are pouring in at the Government House Canton, from Chinese in America, Canada, Mexico, Straits Settlements, Cuba, Honolulu and Manila congratulating the Government on the success in the campaign against the Kwangsi militarists, at the same time urging the Government to direct its forces to the North to crush the illegal Government in Peking. Promises of raising funds for the campaign against the North are made. The Chinese abroad believe that the only way to hasten unification of the country is to eliminate the illegal government in Peking by an effective campaign. We (Canton Times) are informed that depots for the soliciting of funds to finance the campaign are being established in the principal cities in America and Canada.

No decision has been arrived at, it is said, as to what service the new ships will be placed when ready for commission. In conformity with the policy of the Holland East Asia Line to have only large and fast vessels on that run it seems likely that the larger steamers will be utilised there. In the case of the 8,000-tonners it is probable that they will come into the trade between Java, China and Japan.

Students for America.
The entire cabin passenger accommodation on the China Mail Steamship Company's steamer China on this voyage to America will be occupied by Chinese students proceeding to the United States to complete their education. The China will sail at 5 o'clock this afternoon for San Francisco, via Shanghai and Japan ports. At Shanghai 170 scholars from the Ching Hwa College at Peking will embark on their way to America, where they will enter various schools and colleges. The Ching Hwa College was founded with the Boxer Indemnity returned to China by America. The steerage passengers from Hongkong being taken out on the China number 344.

Lloyds' Surveyors.
Mr. J. S. Gardiner, surveyor to Lloyds' Register, who has been in Kobe on leave for several weeks is returning to Hongkong on the steamer Empress of Russia, which is due here on Thursday.

Mr. H. G. House, surveyor at Kobe, who has been relieving Mr. Gardiner at Hongkong will sail on the Taiyo Maru on Friday for Kobe on route to Philadelphia, to where he has just been transferred.

Silver State Reception.
In connection with the reception to be held on board the Shipping Board steamer Silver State on Friday evening, we are informed that it will be an "early evening," and owing to circumstances refreshments cannot be served on board, as stated yesterday.

BANK'S HEAVY LOSSES.

Disastrous Exchange Contracts.

Mr. E. W. Wilson, general manager of the Philippine National Bank has issued a statement that the bank has settled its losses arising out of exchange contracts made with Shanghai banks, amounting to \$5,338,254 gold.

"Of this amount," he said in a signed statement, "slightly in excess of 10 per cent has been paid and the balance, as per statement below, is to be paid in nine semi-final installments:

American Express Co.	\$173,308.26
Asia Banking Corporation.	135,917.95
Banque Industrielle de Chine	230,768.36
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China.	119,632.68
Chinese American Bank of Commerce.	15,564.57
Equitable Trust Co. New York.	315,004.60
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.	161,945.31
International Banking Corporation.	704,938.80
Mitsui Bank, Ltd.	41,943.29
Netherlands Ind. Handelsbank.	571,714.11
Nederlandsch Ind. Maatschappij.	265,150.80
Shanghai Commercial and Savings Bank.	80,143.04
Sumitomo Bank, Ltd.	28,002.58
Bank of Taiwan, Ltd.	1,109,149.57
Yokohama Specie Bank, Ltd.	1,051,303.10
	\$5,004,432.00
Amount already paid	533,822.25
	\$5,338,254.25

"While this loss is very large, it can be and will be met," said a man interested in the settlement, "and the Philippine National bank re-established in the confidence of the people at home and abroad."

"The experience of the Philippine National bank in Shanghai is another proof that bank regulations do not make a bank and that government ownership of its capital stock is not a safeguard against losses. Its experience does illustrate, however, that the success of a bank, whether located in Shanghai, Manila or Constantinople, depends upon the integrity, the industry, the experience and the ability of those who manage the bank."

"With Shanghai's intricate financial banking system and its treacherous exchange market, none but a thoroughly experienced banker should ever have been placed in charge of the branch of the national bank."

"It has been apparent that the Shanghai branch was not serving any commercial purpose for the Philippine Islands; that there is no prospect of a banking profit within the immediate future, and that the resources of the institution should be conserved to take care of its necessities. Therefore the Shanghai branch will now be closed, possibly retaining an agency there so long as the agency is profitable."

"In view of the many statements made by the press here and elsewhere concerning our Shanghai losses (many of which were exaggerated) taken with the fact that the Philippine government owns 94 per cent of the capital stock of the Philippine National bank, the above statement, in my judgment, is warranted."—*Manila Bulletin.*

HOW TO KEEP BABY WELL IN THE HEAT.

The hot months are the most dangerous to infants and young children. The complaints of this season, which are cholera infantum, colic, diarrhoea and dysentery, come on so quickly, that often the little one is beyond aid almost before the parents realize he is ill. The mother must be on her guard to prevent these troubles, or if they do come on suddenly she should have means at hand for their immediate treatment.

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"Dairy Maid"	...	1.35	" "
"Pastry"	...	1.15	" "

CHEESE

Gouda (Full Cream)	...	\$1.25	per lb.
Australian Cheddar	...	1.00	" "
Picnic (own make)50	a Jar.
Coulommier (own make)40	per pat.

FISH

Fillets	...	80 cents	per lb.
Haddock	...	70	" "
Kippers	...	60	" "
Red Herrings	...	30	" "

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TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

Sir Charles Wakefield has given a plain lead to the ruling powers in cricket by his suggestion that the resumption of Australian seasons has given a good opportunity to reconsider the rather silly class distinctions from which arise such curious things as separate entrances and exits for amateur and professional cricketers in big games, writes a critic in a Home Journal. Will the M. C. C. take the hint and establish a new precedent which will have effect on those grounds where the distinction is still marked? We know, of course, that earthquakes are needed to make changes at Lord's, and that tradition is almost a fetish at the general headquarters of cricket, but there have been advances here and there in recent years, and the new president, F. S. Jackson, certainly does not lack courage or initiative when he makes up his mind. It is rather difficult to understand whence would come the opposition were the old distinction removed. Certainly not from the crowd as a whole, and one would wager a small sum that there would be loud cheers from the "mound" were Hobbs and his partner to make their appearance at the Lord's Test match by the sacred central stairs. There may be some old fogies who would resent the change, but they would probably content themselves by growling into their beards.

Once the principle were accepted there would be no more difficulty, and we might be able to advance another stage by giving up the differentiation on the score cards. All the players would be set down with their names and initials, without any distinction of "Mr." or the more subtle line between prefixed and affixed initials. We should have Amateurs and Professionals instead of Gentlemen and Players, and we should abolish forever that hybrid creature, the Gentleman who receives an indirect consideration for his services in place of a regular salary.

In the course of his speech at the Manchester Guardian Centenary Celebration dinner Lord Robert Cecil remarked that, although not a Lancashire family, the Cecil could claim some ties with Lancashire. He did not elaborate the theme, and some of his hearers may have wondered wherein lay the connection between the Cecil and the county of Lancashire, seeing that the family seems to have been established originally in Lincoln-

PITY THE PAWN-BROKER.

A Successful Plea.

In connection with the recent theft at the Kennedy Town beach of a gold fountain pen, the property of Dr. Khoo who was bathing at the time, a pawnbroker was brought before Mr. G. N. Orme at the Police Court this morning, charged with receiving the pen on pawn without ascertaining its origin.

Mr. M. K. Lo, who appeared for the defence, stated that the case was one of great importance to his client and to other members of the Pawnbrokers' Guild. There was no evidence to prove that the defendant was in a position to know that the pen had been stolen. In cases in which a theft was notified to the pawnbrokers he (Mr. Lo) could understand the prosecution brought by the Police. In the case under review no notification had been circulated, and if the Police expected pawnbrokers to act in the manner now suggested, they would have nothing to do but to detain customers the whole day long, a task which would require a whole army of policemen.

This contention was agreed to by his Worship, who gave the defendant the benefit of the doubt and discharged him.

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CAMERA NEWS



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Playing doubles here are Miss Elizabeth Ryan, American, and Miss Suzanne Lenglen (right), French tennis marvel and champion of Europe. Miss Lenglen won the women's world championship singles by defeating Miss Ryan at Wimbledon.



Picture of King George taken while he was hobnobbing with Y. M. C. A. boys in London. He is seen chatting with the son of the Mayor of West Ham.



J. Harry Ertle who refereed the Dempsey-Carpentier fight on July 2nd.



CASHEL BRIDGE, COUNTY TYRONE, IRELAND, AS IT APPEARS NOW.

The huge stone Cashel bridge in County Tyrone, Ireland, was recently blown up by Sinn Feiners to harass British troops. The body of one man was found in the ruins. The bridge now is a menace, as the break in the span cannot be seen from one approach.



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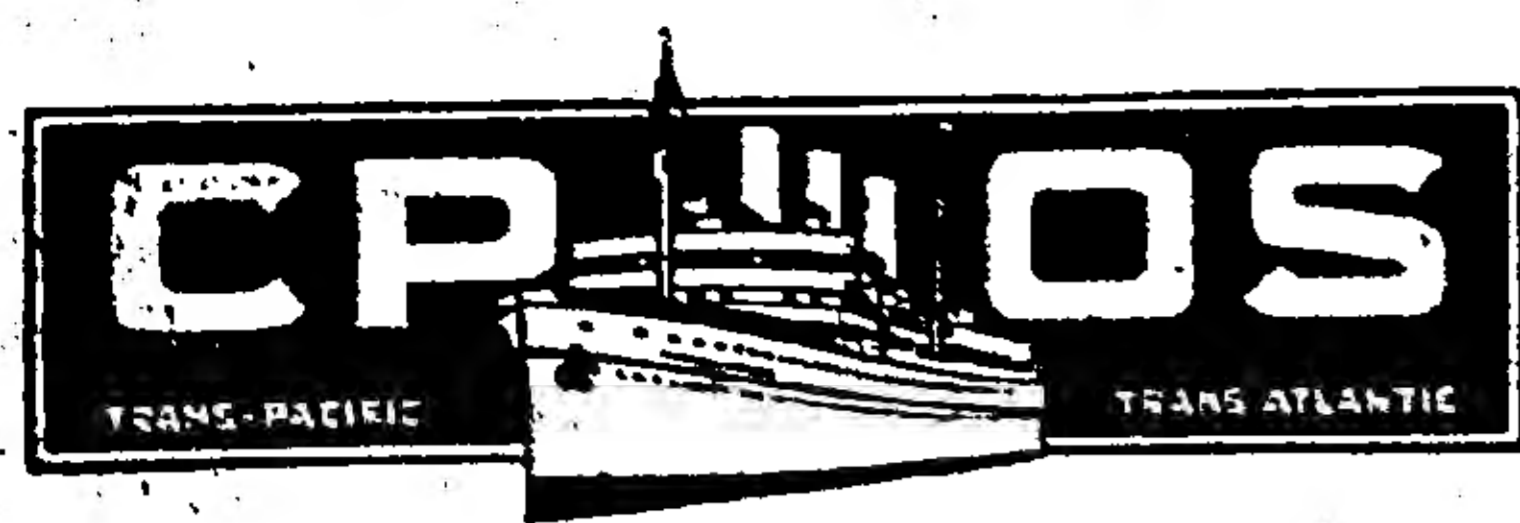
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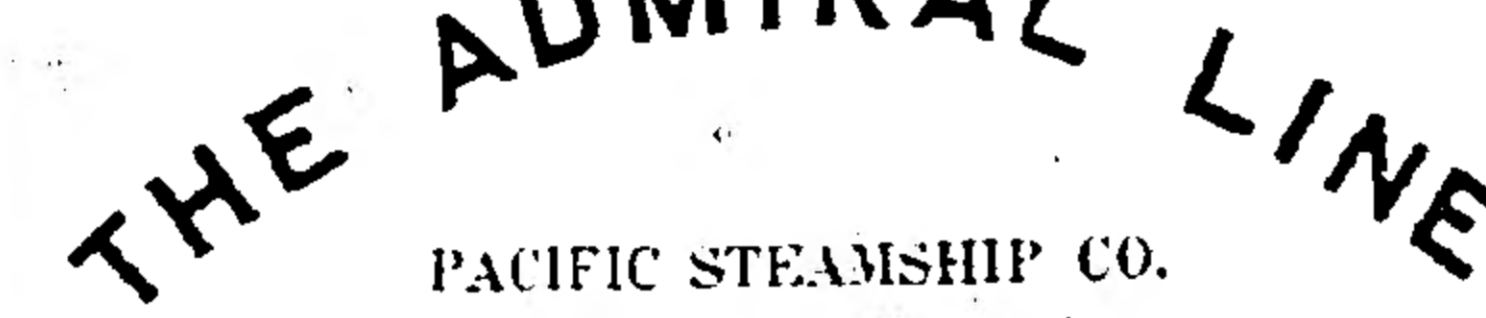
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COMMERCIAL NEWS.

GRADING CONDITIONS IN CENTRAL CHINA.

Owing to the uncertain state of affairs in Hupeh, merchants in Hankow, Wuchang and other Yangtze ports have requested Shanghai merchants to stop sending goods for the present.

CHINESE INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION.

The Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Co. intends to send 15 students abroad for study this year, and 15 universities and colleges have been requested to send four candidates each to take the examinations, which will be conducted by the Kiangsu Educational Association in Shanghai. Abroad, the youths will study agriculture, commerce and engineering.

PEKING TRAMWAY COMPANY.

Consequent on the suspension of payment of the Banque Industrielle de Chine, which held the French shares, the Board of Directors of the Peking Tramway Company has petitioned the Government to cancel the Sino-French agreement in connection with the formation of the organization, so that it may be converted into a purely Chinese enterprise. The Ministry of Finance has appropriated \$500,000 for Government shares so as to enable the work to continue without interruption. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs is negotiating with the French authorities to secure the cancellation of the agreement.

BANKING IN CHANGSHA.

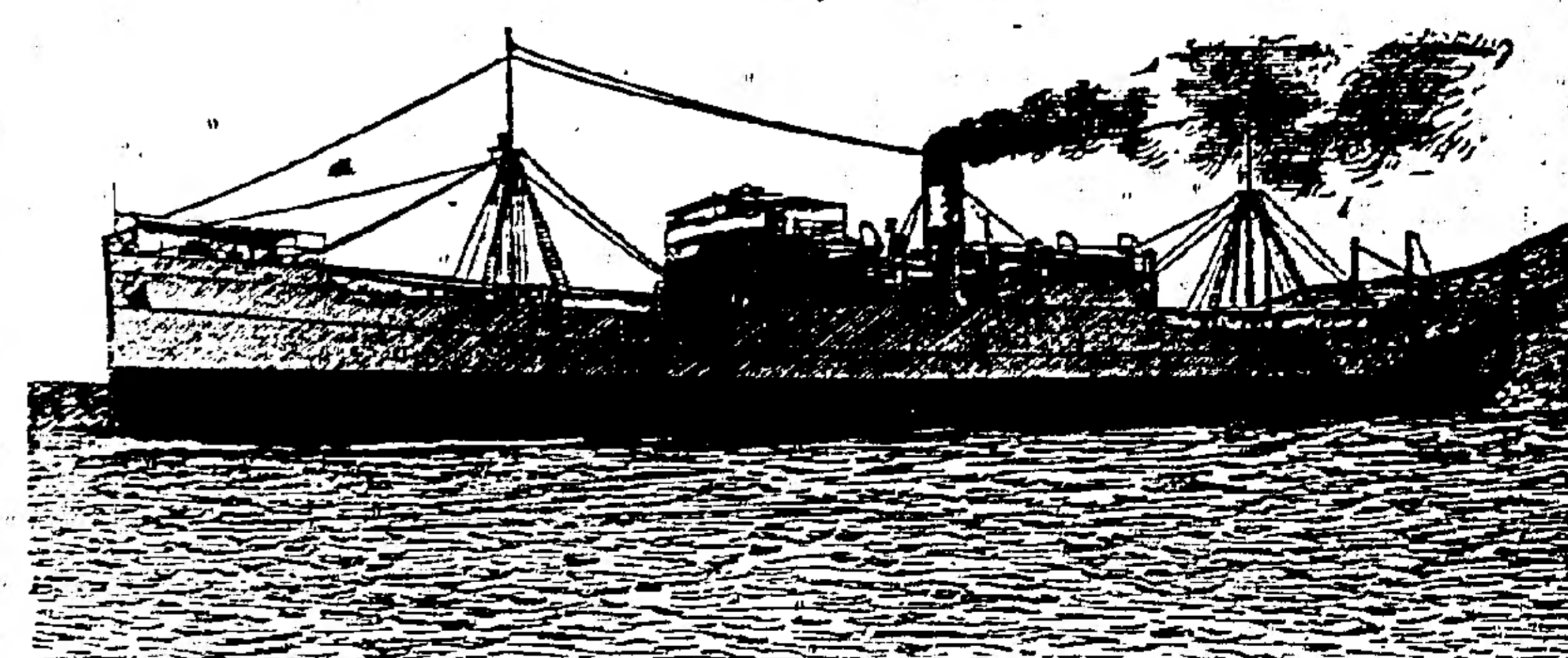
With reference to the opening of a branch of the Asia Banking Corporation at Changsha, it is pleasing to be able to record the following satisfactory remarks on the working, supplied by the present acting manager: "The Asia Banking Corporation closed its first full year on the 31st December 1920, and, although economic and business conditions were badly upset by the actions of the militarists, on the whole they have had a very successful year. They were the only bank remaining open during the military activities between the North and South which led to the evacuation of the Northern General, Chang Ching-yao from Hunan. In July began the issuance of their bank-notes, and by the end of the year (1920) they had issued, approximately, notes to the value of \$250,000. These notes were welcomed by the business people of Hunan, as they were the first stable paper currency to be introduced in this province. They are known as clean silver dollar notes, because of the fact that one clean silver dollar local currency can be obtained at the bank on presentation of each dollar note. Deposits at the close of business, 31st December 1920, reached the three-quarter million mark, and practically all the clean silver dollars in Changsha and vicinity are deposited with this bank. We look forward to an improvement in political and economic conditions during the next year." *Changsha Trade Report 1920.*

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"GLENAMAY"	6th Sept.	GENOA, LONDON & ROTTERDAM
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SHANGHAI via Swatow	Kwongsang	Fri. 12th Aug. at noon.
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SHANGHAI	Hangsang	Sun. 14th Aug. at 10 a.m.
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W'WEI, CHEFOO & T'HSIN	Huichow	15th Aug. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Sinkiang	16th Aug. at noon.
H'HOW, PHOI & H'PHONG	Kailong	17th Aug. at 9 a.m.
SHANGHAI	Soochow	18th Aug. at noon.
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SHIPPING NEWS.

NEW ZEALAND A "NATION OF SAILORS."

The people of New Zealand were a nation of sailors, and in years to come it would be one of the great maritime countries of the world, said Mr. W. F. Massey, Premier of New Zealand, during a luncheon in his honour at the Baltic Exchange London.

CONSERVANCY WORKS. For the Conservancy Works of the Tai-hu Lake a sum of \$300,000 has been allocated to Kiangsu and \$200,000 to Chekiang by the Feking Government. The work is being carried on by the Tai-hu Lake Conservancy Board under the directorship of Mr. Wang Tsing-mo. As recommended by Mr. von Heidenstam, engineer-in-chief of the Whangpoo Conservancy Board, a small dredging machine at a cost of about \$240,000 will be purchased.

AN ALL-STUDENT PASSENGER LIST.

The entire first and second-class cabin accommodation on the China Mail str. China, scheduled to sail from Shanghai on the 12th instant, has been booked by Chinese students going to the United States to enter American educational institutions for "higher education." One hundred and sixty nine students, embarking at this port, will fill the entire accommodation with the exception of the third class. Most of the students are being sent by the money refunded to China by America out of the Boxer Indemnity. About 50 of the students come from Tsing Hua College, Peking.

HARBOR POLLUTION AT SHANGHAI.

The River Police of Shanghai are just now giving attention to the leakage of oil from ships in port, a noticeable quantity of crude oil having lately been observed, spreading over a considerable area of the river and even for some distance along the Soochow creek. In this case the source of the leakage, defective pipes, was traced, but generally it is a matter of some difficulty. River pollution of this character necessitated the drafting of a special harbour regulation last year, the nuisance being a dangerous one in many respects, and particularly in its effect upon the water supply. The serious light in which the matter is regarded elsewhere may be judged from the fact that, under American harbour regulations, discharge of oil refuse is subject to a penalty of \$5,000.

RHINE NAVIGATION AND BRITISH COMMERCE.

A Strasburg message states that work will probably be begun shortly on the Rhine, above Strasburg, for the purpose of improving the waterway between that city and Bale. The undertaking of these improvements was suggested in a request presented to the British Government by the Federation of British Industries, asking that a Commission of Engineers should be appointed for the purpose of studying a scheme for the improvement of the navigable channel of the Rhine above Strasburg. The Federation pointed out that the development of British commerce necessitated that the Rhine should be navigable as far as Bale, this being the cheapest route for the transport of goods to Central Europe. The conclusion arrived at by the Commission of Engineers will presumably be submitted to the two British representatives on the Rhine Central Commission, and work on the scheme may then be commenced.

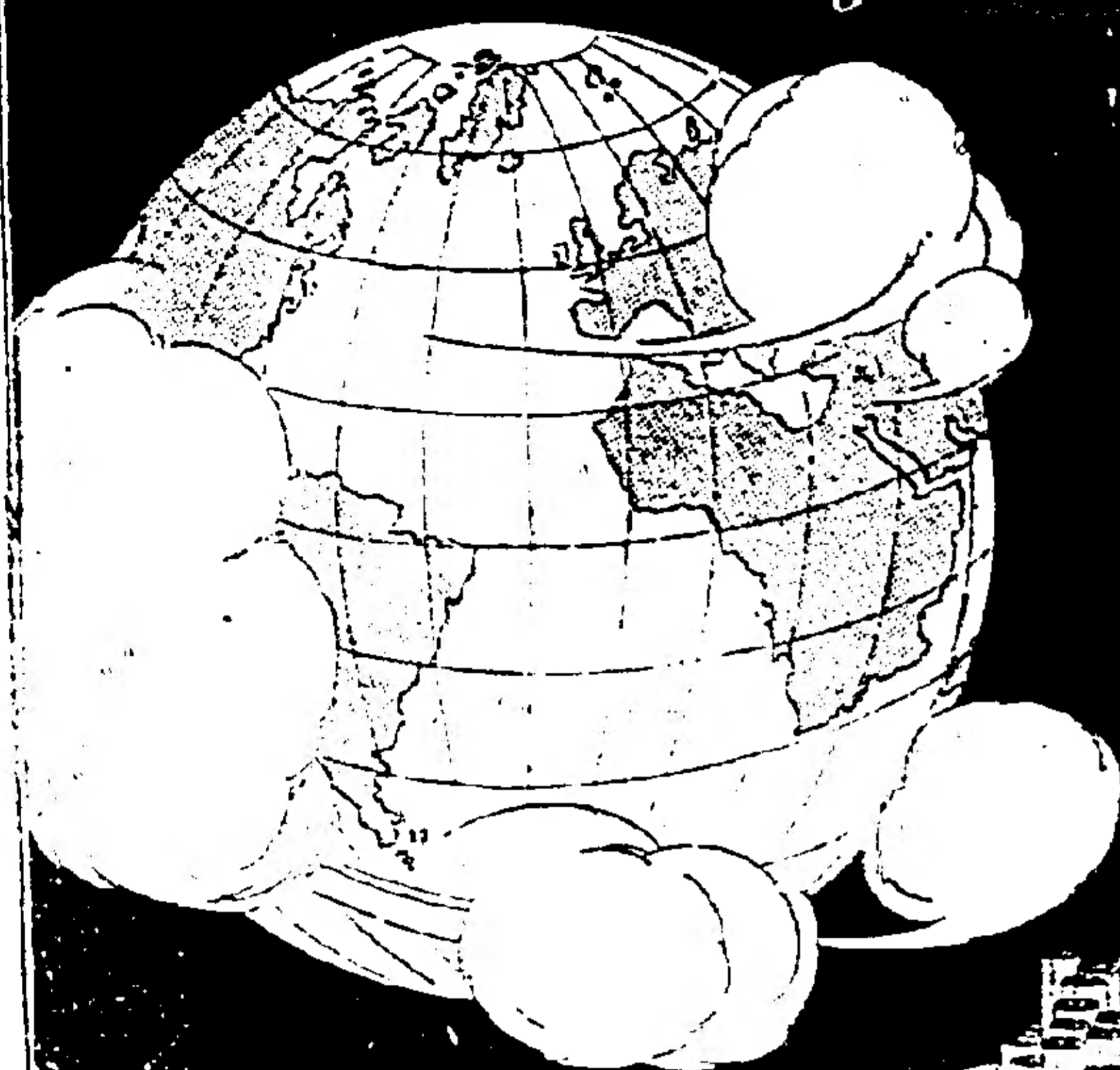
THE FATE OF HOG ISLAND.

Nothing definite seems to have been decided on the fate of the site of the Hog Island fabricated shipyard on the Delaware River, but the U.S. Shipping Board has very wisely decided that there is no future for it as a vast shipyard, whatever else it may be useful for. Therefore the definite order has gone forth that it is to be scrapped, and work has started on forty of the fifty up-to-date building slips about which so much was said when they were built. The Philadelphia "hulkies" seem to have plenty to do to demolish them, for they were constructed as though their designers had every intention of their lasting for a century, or two. The plan to convert the site into an ocean terminal which shall be a dangerous rival to New York has not definitely been abandoned, but its advocates do not seem to be very popular at the moment. As for the ten ships which are being left, no one knows whether they are going to be kept standing in order to be ready for revival should the emergency again arise.

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The levels are taken at 10 a.m. each day.

Place of Observation	Highest W. L. recorded Feet	Lowest W. L. recorded Feet	W. L. Aug. 7 Feet	W. L. Aug. 8 Feet
Wuchow. West River	-79.50	-2.42	53.10	—
Kongmoon.	-14.70	-0.50	6.10	—
Linkonghow. North	-37.00	—	5.00	5.30
Samshui.	-27.25	-5.00	9.80	—
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1.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.	1.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.
5.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.	5.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.
8.30 p.m. to 11.30 p.m.	8.30 p.m. to 11.30 p.m.

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5.30 p.m. to 11.30 p.m. 5.25 p.m.

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WEATHER REPORT.

August 9d. 11h. 39m.—Pressure
has increased slightly from
Shanghai to Tientsin and from
Guam to Yap. It is nearly
stationary over Japan and the
Philippines.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24
hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day,
0.62 inches. Total since January
1st, 72.83 inches, against an
average of 56.06 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS
ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District.	Forecast.
1 Hongkong to Gap Rock	E. winds, moderate; fair.
2 Formosa Channel	The same as No. 1.
3 South coast of China between H.K. & Lsmocks.	The same as No. 1.
4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan.	The same as No. 1.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

H. K. Observatory, Aug. 9, 1921.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous Day	on date.	on date.
Barometer ... 29.68	29.74	29.75
Temperature ... 82	78	83
Humidity ... 71	93</	